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NOTICE

The following is published by authority of the Treaty Power Consuls.

The Foreign Treaty Consuls, in pursuance of the provisions of Article IX of the Land Regulations for the Foreign Settlement of Shanghai, hereby give notice that a Public Meeting of Ratepayers will be held in the Grand Theatre, No. 216 Bubbling Well Road, on Wednesday, April 19, 1939, commencing at 2.30 p.m., to devise ways and means of raising the requisite funds for Municipal purposes, to pass resolutions in reference thereto and to deliberate and decide upon other Municipal matters and business. At such meeting the accounts of the Council for the year ended December 31, 1938, will be submitted for the sanction and approval of the Ratepayers.

L. NEYRONE,
Consul-General for Italy and Senior Consul.

Shanghai, March 30, 1939. 11779

THE HENRY LESTER SCHOLARSHIPS

By the terms of the Will of the late Henry Lester, Esquire, two Scholarships of an annual value of about $450 each and tenable for four years, are to be awarded as the result of an examination to be held in October, 1939.

The Scholarships are open to children of both sexes and of any religion or nationality, who shall have been in Shanghai for a period of two years immediately prior to the commencement of the examination, and who will be under the age of fourteen years on the first day of July, 1939.

Entry Forms must be returned not later than June 15, 1939, to G. F. C. Newsam, Esq., Secretary, Henry Lester Scholarship Committee, The Lester School, 505 East Seward Road, Shanghai, from whom the Forms and further particulars may be obtained.

E. S. WILKINSON,
Secretary, THE LESTER TRUST.

Shanghai, March 29, 1939. 11768

NOTICE

I have this day transferred the whole of my interest in the firm of LAVERS & CLARK to Mr. W. M. WESTON and will be no longer responsible for any liabilities which may arise after this date.

E. E. CLARK,
By his Attorney.

Weihaiwei, March 31, 1939.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I have acquired the business of LAVERS & CLARK and will continue to carry on all existing Agencies in the same name.

W. M. WESTON.

Weihaiwei, March 31, 1939. 11792

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has acquired as a going concern, the business heretofore carried on under the firm name and style of A. B. ROSENFELD & SON, together with all of the assets thereof including accounts receivable and good-will, and the undersigned has assumed all of the obligations of said business as shown by the books thereof.

The business of A. B. ROSENFELD & SON will be carried on as usual without any change in name, address, personnel or policy.

T. CROSTHWAITE,

March 29, 1939. 11784

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

The Annual Dinner will be held on Wednesday, April 5, at the Cockpit.

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The business of the Meeting will be to receive the Trustees' and Vestry's Report and Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938, and to elect the Vestry for the ensuing year; also to appoint one Trustee in accordance with the terms of the Trust.

The Chair will be taken by H.B.M. Consul-General, Sir Herbert Phillips, K.C.M.G., O.B.E.

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Shanghai, March 31, 1939. 11785

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31 S'hai American School Variety Snow, 4
31 S'hai R.U.F.C. Dance, Country Club.
31 Shanghai Camera Club, Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
31 Duke of Gloucester's birthday (1900)

Coming Events
APRIL

1 St. Tichon's Orphanage, Handwork Sale, 359 Cardinal Mercier, 10-7
1 Russ. Women's League, Handwork Sale
1 S'hai American School Variety Show, 8.30
1 21st Anniv. Formation R.A.F. and R.A.F.A. Reunion. Dinner, 'The Dome'
1 Oxford & Cambridge Society Dinner
1 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
1 'Carmen,' Grand Opera, Lyceum, 9
2 St. Tichon's Orphanage, Handwork Sale, 359 Cardinal Mercier, 10-7
2 Russ. Women's League, Handwork Sale
2 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
2 'Carmen,' Grand Opera, Lyceum, 9
2 Brith Trumpeldor Dance, A.W.C., 9
4 A.W.C. Library Tiffin, 12.30
5 Cathedral School Old Boys' Assn. Annual Dinner, Air Defence Club
6 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
6 Rummage Sale, U.C. Hall, Limbless Fund
6 S.W.A. Meeting, C.S.F., 4
6 Royal Asiatic Society Lecture, 5.30
6 Reel Club Dance, Race Club, 9
6 S. M. Orchestra, 1st Performance 'Sacred Music,' Lyceum, 9.15
8 B.W.A. Easter Party, 4.15
8 S.M. Orchestra, 2nd Performance 'Sacred Music,' Lyceum, 3
8 Ladies' Interport Hockey. Hongkong vs. Shanghai, Kiaochow Park, 3.15
9 Ladies' Interport Hockey. Hongkong vs. The Rest, Kiaochow Park, 3.15
10 Ladies' Interport Hockey, Hongkong vs. The Greens, Kiaochow Park, 3.15
11 Cathedral Boys' School Gymkhana, Ascot Riding School, 2.30
11 A.W.C. Literary Dept. meeting, 4.45
11 Interport Dance, Race Club, 9.30
12 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Road, Public Lecture, 6
12 Piano-Recital by Hans Baer, A.W.C.
13 S.S.P.C.A. ann. gen. mtg., Beck & Swann, 17 Bund, 5.15
13 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
14 Bateman-King, 'Through the Looking Glass,' Lyceum, 5.30
15 Bateman-King, 'Through the Looking Glass,' Lyceum, 3
16 A.T.A. presents 'Whose Money,' 'The Eve in Evelyn,' 'A Flower of Yeddo,' at Shanghai Jewish School, 9
17 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, Y.M.C.A., 3
18 A.W.C. Musical Prog. Dupont, 4.45
18 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
19 Violin-Recital by Prof. Wittenberg, American Women's Club, 9
19 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
20 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
20 Concert, Community Church, 9
20 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
21 'St. George's Ball, C.S.F., 9.30
22 'St. George's Children's Party, Country Club, 4
22 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
25 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
27 K.D.S. Bridge/Mahjongg Tea, Race Club, entrance Mohawk Road, 3

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By Order,
M. BENTON,
Hon. Secretary.

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Members are reminded that the Annual General Meeting will be held at 5.30 p.m. at the Metropole Hotel to-day.

By Order of the Commodore,
J. C. BOLDERO,
Hon. Secretary.

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SHANGHAI LAWN BOWLS CLUB

Members are reminded that the Annual General Meeting will be held in the Shanghai Engineers' Club, 220 Szechuen Road, to-day at 5.45 p.m.

H. WALLACE,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

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K. M. CUMMING,
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HUNGJAO AREA ASSOCIATION.

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Holders of "C" share warrants to bearer are hereby notified that Coupon No. 19 representing the final dividend on Intra-Agreement Consumers' Account of 5 per cent. will be payable on and after March 31, 1939, at the office of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Shanghai, in Chinese Standard Dollars at its buying rate for demand drafts on London on the day of presentation of the coupon.

Coupons must be listed upon the Company's forms which may be had on application at the above mentioned Bank and must be left two clear days previous to payment between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturdays excepted.

By Order of the Directors,
R. LOCK,
Secretary and Asst. Manager.

Shanghai, March 30, 1939. 11794

THE INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT TRUST COMPANY OF CHINA, LIMITED.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Debenture Transfer Books of this Company will be closed from Monday, March 20, 1939, to Friday, March 31, 1939, (both days inclusive), for the preparation of Interest Warrants in respect of the arrears of interest due for the half year ended September 30, 1938 and also for the current half year's interest due on March 31, 1939.

By Order of the Board,
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(1) To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938.
(2) To elect a Director.
(3) To elect Auditors.
(4) To transact other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 1 to April 6, 1939, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares will be effected.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

House Rentals:

The Uselessness of Protest

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—The letter by OUTRAGED in this morning's issue of your esteemed publication is only one of many which should be written and published in your columns, if they are not a pure waste of time and space.

OUTRAGED complains his rent is to be increased from $65 to $105, a mere 23½ per cent., and complains no reason or explanation was sent along with the advice of increase as of May 1. If it will make the increase more palatable I am sure the Cathay Land Co. will, in the future, give a good reason with the next increase—which should be due about October.

In the meantime I can offer a few reasons for this slight increase and there are no doubt many more if one just got down to the subject and concentrated. Gas, light and tax surcharges must be met by the principals of the Cathay Land as well as by ourselves and how can they increase income to meet increased expenditures if they don't increase rents? How can they be expected to realize what they consider a fair return on investment with the exchange rate what it is if they don't increase our rents? Aside from all this, when have they had or when will they again have such an opportunity to charge just what they like in the way of rents, and are they not legally within their rights?

A tenant of Kelmscott Gardens under the same management as Verdun Terrace showed me his chit which notified him his rent would be increased from $150 to $200 or 33⅓ per cent. under the same terms as his previous contract, which is no contract at all as he is not able, so he said, to obtain a yearly lease. The rent on my place in Verdun Terrace has been increased from $70 to $95 or 36 per cent., so it seems OUTRAGED is better off than some of us.

As these increases in rents bring in increased revenue to the F.M.C. there is little or no possibility of any help from that quarter, so what does OUTRAGED suggest be done about it?

INDIGNANT.

Shanghai, Mar. 29.

Refugee Danger:

The Approach of Summer

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—With summer fast approaching those of us who think have turned our minds once again to the 500,000 odd Chinese refugees in Shanghai today. We were fortunate last summer inasmuch as cholera, typhoid and cerebrospinal fever did not take a heavy toll, but we cannot go on tempting Providence.

All refugees should be got out of the International Settlement as soon as possible. Their camps, which are unhealthy in the extreme owing to their small size, will assuredly breed diseases during the next few months, which diseases will spread like wildfire.

The Japanese are willing to allow areas in the thinly-populated Eastern District and Western District (over the railway) for Refugee Camps which can still be maintained by the same authorities who are maintaining them today. Why isn't something done about it?

The transportation of these refugees to areas outside the Settlement would be an easy proposition. Camps would not cost a lot of money to construct—besides if money is needed for work of that kind those permanent residents both foreign and Chinese of the International Settlement would give most generously to a cause which to my mind means life to many.

If the Public Health Department and the Public Works Department are not competent enough to carry out the work themselves the writer offers his services and guarantees satisfactory results at no charge.

COMMON SENSE.

Shanghai, Mar. 29.

On the Bridge:

A Pleasant Interlude

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your short leaderette in yesterday's paper on the above subject reminded me of an experience last June. All arrangements had been made for my sailing to Nagasaki except the Japanese consular visa.

As I approached the Garden Bridge, I was halted by the Japanese sentry. By his gesticulations, I understood that I might cross the bridge, but not my rickshaw. Now it was raining in torrents, how could I, an elderly woman, walk across that bridge on foot and then to the Consulate in the pouring rain? Smiling at him, waving my passport book, I suddenly cried out *Ikimasen*. He grinned, then said to me: *Mati, mati*, crossed the bridge to the Hongkew side and returned with a rickshaw. He ordered his rickshaw to place itself alongside of mine, then motioned to me to get into it. I was able to change rickshaws without getting wet. Naturally, I gave him a broad smile of gratitude and a hearty *Arigato*, all of which he acknowledged by a military salute.

May I add that after a delightful stay of three months in Japan I am convinced if we foreigners greet the military here with the same kindly courtesy as their people show us in their country, much friction and unpleasantness might be avoided. A few words in their language too are helpful.

This puzzles me, I had not heard or used the Japanese word *Ikimasen* (I cannot do it) for eleven years, when last in Japan, yet in that moment of desperation it came to me. In what brain cell had it lain dormant all these years?

OLD RESIDENT.

Shanghai, Mar. 29.

The War Memorial:

Bad Conditions Described

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Now that the Council have disposed of the question of the Pivot Boys and their terms of employment perhaps what to them appears to be a matter of minor importance might engage their attention. I refer to the state of the Allied War Memorial and its immediate surroundings. The chairman of the United Services' Association at their annual general meeting referred to the matter and after making a personal inspection this morning I marvel at the restraint he used. The approach to the Memorial was obstructed by numerous food vendors and their stalls and the base was occupied by coolies taking their meals. Bits of food and peanut shells littered the steps, and on walking round the base one noticed that the corners at the rear had been used as urinals and for some considerable time judging by the odour. A wooden shed on the north side adjoins the Memorial and is used as a tally office by local coal merchants which adds to the general state of filth and untidiness.

As one who left Shanghai for the War with one of the early contingents and one who numbers comrades and relatives whose names appear on our local War Memorial, I strongly protest against its present state of neglect and trust those responsible will rectify matters as speedily as possible. I regret my position in this city prevents me from signing this letter which I hope you will find space to publish in your correspondence columns.

ARCADIA.

Shanghai, Mar. 30.

Pinkiang Bombing:

A Well-Marked Compound

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I just got a letter from a friend in Changsha in which he writes:—

We heard yesterday that in Pinkiang (Hunan) one of the Mission compounds was bombed, one missionary was killed. You remember Clark? He was in the same bombed compound and was dazed by the shock. The other missionary who was killed stood just in the place where the bomb fell and nothing of him could be found, not even a small piece! The compound is very large and marked, very clearly with gigantic Union Jacks all over. The people who saw the bombing said it was clearly deliberate, perhaps it is one of those "vigorous steps" Japan promised to undertake on account of British loan to China.

I am wondering what reasons the Japanese military authorities will offer to explain this Pinkiang case. Are all their fliers near-sighted or blindfold? Otherwise, how to explain this incident?

Japan must be checked by all peace-loving nations of the world for all her rude and cruel actions in China and in the Pacific. She is already going too far.

"DICK" BINGHAM.

Kinwha, Mar. 23.

Football History:

Survivors from the Eighties

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I was interested to read in your paper of March 23, "Marine Engineer's Cup Has Long History." The first match Engineers *v.* Shanghai was played on February 12, 1891, but those two clubs played against each other for a good few years before 1891.

The Engineers had always some difficulty in getting a good team together as most of them were sailing in the coast steamers. I can remember one year when A. Lang was Captain of the Engineers; six or eight of us were Rugby players. It was a great game, though perhaps not very scientific, every now and again the whole team were after the ball, instead of keeping their place on the field, plenty of free kicks for handling. I think everyone enjoyed the game, though I have no doubt some of the spectators were a bit puzzled to know what game we were trying to play.

I don't know about the other Rugby players, but I myself had never seen Soccer played at home, all I knew about the game was what little I had learned from my friend Lang on our way out from home in 1881, he had been captain of the Dumbarton team, one of, if not the best in Scotland at that time.

I wonder if there are any others in Shanghai today who played for Shanghai or the Engineers in the eighties of last century.

OLD RUGBY PLAYER.

Shanghai, Mar. 30.

Kalgan:

Has it a Sanatorium?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It will be greatly appreciated if any of your readers would kindly give me any information regarding Kalgan a place situated a day's train ride from Peking.

Is there a sanatorium or hospital for T. B. cases?

ANXIOUS.

Shanghai, Mar. 30.

Modern Youth:

Is it Too Proud to Fight?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In the columns of your splendid newspaper I have read in recent issues much about military conscription in other countries. It has been taken note of so much that VY-U-LAFF volunteers the suggestion that it would be a "grand idea" to make it compulsory to conscript youth into the S.V.C. Such a conscription would affect me and while I don't tremble at the thought of war, I simply detest this big noise and sword rattling. Youth today cannot forget that last destruction and criminal orgy of bloodshed which cost the lives of 10,000,000 men. Youth today is too proud to fight.

We are ashamed of the past stupidities, of the civilization based upon arrogance, dishonesty, violence, injustice and greed. We are trying to the best of our poor ability to grope toward something new. Modern invention has made us all better acquainted; the radio, the aeroplane, the fast steamships, have all added to make the physical world smaller; by the same process they have made our sympathies wider. No longer is any one country isolated and this rabble of quarrelling races, due to militarism, would mean disaster for all. The idea of modern inventions was to weld us all into friendly nations, will it turn around and destroy us?

Militarists living in the past, however, hold youth back. Teachers, too, are working hand-in-hand with the militarists. They organize children into Boy Scouts. They compel youth in schools and colleges to take up military drill under the pretext that it puts them in the finest physical and mental condition. Volunteer corps, military training camps, officers' training corps, etc., spread attractions and offer free courses in the art of trapping and killing their fellow-men on the battlefield. It is not enough that a youth know how to use small weapons and take care of himself under adverse conditions, he must be conscripted to active soldiering, he must learn to kill by thousands and be skilled in the destructive weapons of modern warfare.

Humanity will soon wake up. The Boy Scouts will give way to Scouts of Peace. The schools will dismiss their drill masters and appoint in their place teachers of international good-will. Youth will forget about the art of killing and concentrate upon the art of living. In spite of all our stupidity and savagery, in spite of our hypocrisy, our combativeness, our intolerance and our greed, we are somehow travelling instinctively toward the light. Just now, it seems, we are living at the crossroads.

YOUTH.

Shanghai, Mar. 30.

BY SAPAJOU

Captain F. Miners

Wharf Manager of Holt's Wharf, who is going Home On Leave Tomorrow.

Inventor's Plans Handed Germany

Inventor's Dispute with Backer; Device Offered To Governments

Plans of an invention which, it was claimed, would make flying absolutely safe, and were stated to be now in the hands of the German Government, were mentioned on February 27 in the High Court, Dublin, when the inventor sought an injunction, states the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post."

He alleged that the respondent, with whom he claimed he was in partnership, was a member of the German colony in Dublin, and had handed all the papers to the German Minister, and that when questioned about this the respondent asked him to keep quiet "as it could be regarded as espionage."

The application was made by Mr. Charles Campbell, K.C., on behalf of John Daniel Hamilton, a fitter, of Lower Mount-street, Dublin.

He sought an injunction against Stephen Held, a merchant, of Sunbury-gardens, Dartry-road, Dublin, pending the trial of an action restraining Mr. Held from delivering to any person without his consent any plan, specification, or other document relating to a patent of an aircraft safety landing apparatus, or attempting to negotiate the sale of the patent without Mr. Hamilton's consent.

Mr. Hamilton, in his affidavit, stated that he completed his invention of a safety landing apparatus in February, 1938. As he had not the money to commercialise it, he entered into an oral agreement with Mr. Held, whereby the expenses would be paid by Mr. Held, and the profits from the sale of the invention divided equally between them.

Negotiations Fell Through

Shortly after the registration of the patent in Eire, counsel continued, negotiations took place, with the consent of Mr. Held, with representatives of the British Air Ministry, the Belgian Government, the Italian Government and the French Government.

As a result of discussions which Mr. Hamilton had in England with representatives of Viscount Nuffield, he believed that there were reasonable prospects of selling the patent in England; but the negotiations were obstructed by Mr. Held, and nothing resulted from them.

About the end of November, 1938, Mr. Held and Mr. Hamilton had a conversation with the German Minister to Eire.

The Minister stated that he was going on the following Monday to London, and that he would get in touch with them on his return.

On Dec. 14 Mr. Hamilton met Mr. Held by appointment, and when he asked Mr. Held what had happened about the German Minister, Mr. Held said he gave him the papers—meaning the plans and specifications—on the day that the Minister left for England.

Mr. Held further stated, according to the affidavit, that the Minister told him that he handed all the papers over to the Ambassador in London, and that they were now all in Berlin.

Present to the Germans

Mr. Hamilton asked Mr. Held what authority he had to part with the papers to the German Minister, and Mr. Held said:

"It is not a war implement, but merely a safety device, and if Nuffield and the other Governments were willing to buy it, what harm is there in giving a present to the German Government secretly and still selling to the others?"

Mr. Hamilton accused Mr. Held of deceiving him, and told him that he would not be a party to such a mode of dealing.

On Dec. 21 Mr. Hamilton met Mr. Held by appointment, and told him that he had been with the German Minister. He again asked him why he gave the papers to the German Minister, as that meant the end of the whole affair.

Mr. Held replied: "Who the hell has squealed? "For mercy's sake keep cool about it, as it would ruin my business if it became known to the public that the poor honourable gentleman (meaning the German Minister) would be transferred out of the country, as it could be regarded as espionage."

He asked Mr. Hamilton to destroy all papers and letters he had had from him.

The affidavit alleged that Mr. Held was still engaged in negotiations regarding the patent.

Efforts to sell Invention

Mr. Held, in a replying affidavit, denied that the terms of the agreement were as stated by Mr. Hamilton. He agreed to stand in with Mr. Hamilton, but no formal arrangements of any kind were ever discussed between them.

For some time he endeavoured to exploit the invention, or procure a purchaser for it. Efforts to sell the invention were made with representatives of the French, Belgian American, German, Italian, Czechoslovak and Eireann Governments, and with companies controlled by Lord Nuffield.

Mr. Held's affidavit continued that in spite of every effort it had not been found possible to procure a purchaser at any price. He denied that he had obstructed or hampered negotiations with Lord Nuffield's representatives.

At Mr. Hamilton's request he made an appointment with the German Minister. It was Mr. Hamilton who insisted on handing over the plans, and assured the Minister that there was nothing wrong in his inspecting the plans.

Mr. James Costelloe, for Mr. Held, said: "If the invention was valuable, would plaintiff have written on November 16 to the Duke of Windsor offering it to him for nothing, "as a token of loyalty and devotion," and asking him to offer it to the people of Britain "as your gift to the nation?"

Mr. Justice Johnson said there were no grounds for the application, which would be dismissed with costs. He added:

"I regret exceedingly that the names of high personages like the Duke of Windsor, Lord Nuffield and the German Minister have been introduced. It was entirely unnecessary and must give a certain amount of embarrassment."

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British Divorce Action

In an undefended divorce action heard in H. M. Supreme Court on March 28 before Sir Allan Mossop, Judge, a decree nisi was awarded to John Helyer Liddell against Grace Mary Liddell, on the grounds of desertion. Mr. M. Reader Harris appeared for the petitioner.

MARKET PRICES

The following prices are the maximum for best cut or grade obtainable in Central and Western Markets on Mar. 28, 1939. Prices are quoted per lb. in Shanghai dollar-cents unless otherwise stated.

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Veal	40-1.00	Mutton	30-50

FISH

Herrings	25	Halibut	20-25
Eels	40	Shrimps	70
Lobster	1.20	Carp	30-40
Samli	1.00	Mandarin	40-45
Mackerel	35-40	Salmon	30-35
Prawns, each	8-10	Cod	30-35
White bait	25-30	Pomfret	35-40
Yellow fish	20-25		
Soles	25-30		
Cuttle Fish	15		

POULTRY GAME AND EGGS

		Teal ea.	35
Dee Snipe	25	Wild duck ea.	1.10
Pigeon	50	Fowl	60
Duck, each	2.00-3.00	Turkey	70
Chicken eggs	50-72	Woodcock	50
Chicken (young)	65	Goose ea.	3.50
		Wild pigeons	25

VEGETABLES

B'boo shoots	20	New Potatoes	8
Beans, French	25	Mushrooms	70-1.40
Rhubarb	30	Cauliflower	20-40
Beetroot	12	Horse radish	25
Big marrow	10	Leeks, bunch	8
Cucumber	20	Lettuce	20
Celery bunch	6	Onions Amer.	20
Cabbage	8	Onions, spr.	8
Carrots	8	Potatoes	8
Chillies	30	Potatoes Sweet	6
Egg-plant	25	Spinach	8
Endive, each	20	Tomatoes	60
Garlic	15	Turnips	8
Ginger	15	Green peas	15

FRUIT

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London, Mar. 28.

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Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MARCH 31, 1869

We have often inferred, from the practical experience of India, the probable results of permitting the introduction of foreign salt into China. The conditions of the two countries are strikingly similar, in the habits of the populations, the absence of rock salt, and the means resorted to for supplying the deficiency. In India, too, it was feared that the import of salt would injure the revenue. But it was admitted and though the imported has nearly superseded the manufactured article, the revenue has benefitted as much as the people have done. The following figures shew the vast increase of the export to India from the Mersey since its commencement:—

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1858	69,540
1859	33,263
1860	116,806
1861	172,457
1862	185,939
1863	197,261
1864	186,247
1865	105,010
1866	140,668
1867	213,530
1868	266,841

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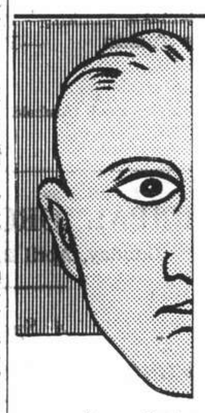

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WOMAN'S PAGE

A Mayfair Notebook

By PHILINE

London, Mar. 3.

Queen Elizabeth is taking a personal pleasure in the welcome which London will give to the French President and his wife at the end of the month, for Mme Lebrun will be the first woman to be entertained by Their Majesties on a State visit. She and the Queen should find several interests in common. Mme Lebrun is very fond of England; she possesses simple tastes and loves music as does Queen Elizabeth.

The Princesses, too, are making preparations for the forth-coming visit and are learning speeches to deliver in French to Mme Lebrun. They will thank her and the people of France for the dolls which were given them after their parents' visit to Paris last year.

Princess Elizabeth has made up most of her speech herself. She is quite able to carry on a sustained conversation in French. For the past two years she and her sister have had a French tutor and each day they set aside some time when not a word of English must be spoken. Languages, of course, are an important item in Princess Elizabeth's school time-table. She has been learning German and now a new governess has been engaged to give her more advanced lessons in the German language.

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In Praise of France...

While a bustle of preparations for our French visitors is going on in Buckingham Palace and at the French Embassy, London is enjoying a French season which is already in full swing. Lunch, tea and dinner table conversations in smart West-End restaurants turn upon the French theatre, French art and French fashions.

The coming to town of the Comédie-Française, the State company established one and a half centuries ago by Louis XVI, who incorporated in it Molière's company, has filled us all with admiration of French acting and stage-craft.

Few may remember the last official visit of the Comédie company sixty years ago, but it was on that occasion that Sarah Bernhardt made her London début. Whether they recall the historic occasion or not, Londoners and their French guests find the Great Sarah a popular topic of conversation.

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Fashion Talk at Tea-time

In the art world, French art is to be prominently displayed by most London galleries during the next month and this fact carries the day's gossip to French painters. Much of their work we shall hope to see in the near future.

At tea-time, in particular, feminine fashions are talked over, when someone will probably quote some such opinion as came the other day from Mme Bourdet, who is one of France's best-dressed women. "No other women look so well in the country, in sports clothing" is Mme Bourdet's opinion of the English. But she doesn't think English women dress becomingly in the evening.

In the theatre and in the restaurant, it seems, they look "overdressed." They wear "too many bright clothes, they try to make too much effect—and make none." To quote again the same authority: "Parisiennes in the evening wear black or dark colours. Their frocks are simpler." There is nothing new in all this. Indeed, are not such opinions a little out of date?

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Where Shorts are Longer

English sportswomen are finding much to interest them in the fashions displayed by the seven Americans who have arrived in this country to compete in the English squash championships, and to defend the Wolfe-Noel Cup. Whereas, in 1938, the American team came over with very short shorts, in 1939 some of them are not wearing shorts at all, but skirts. And those who still favour shorts have had them cut definitely longer.

One member of the team wears a divided skirt of shark skin and Miss Eleanora Sears, the leader, has a white drill circular skirt with buttons down either side. She wears a white crochet cap when she is on the court. Anne Page of Philadelphia, America's squash champion, has white velvet corduroy shorts and a fine wool shirt with long sleeves. This is made with a yoke at the back and a box pleat to allow her freedom with her arms. The entire team have waisted cream cashmere cardigans, with red, white and blue borders and the stars and stripes on the left breast pocket.

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For Sportswomen

Sportswear of all kinds took its usual prominent place in the fashion parades and shows which have been held recently in both Paris and London. A novelty which is sure to win general praise is the new coat with attached hood. This is ideal for motoring, cruising and general country wear and is being made in fitted and swagger shapes.

One model, in hyacinth blue angora cloth, has a squarish stitched hood and a collar which buttons closely round the neck and can be worn open. The coat has a built-in belt and is made in several pastel colours. In another sports model, a triangular scarf hood—it is called the Robin Hood style—is attached to a slack coat of soft oatmeal-coloured tweed. It can be tied around the head in the manner of a kerchief.

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Contrast in Colour and Material

The use of two or more colours and often two different kinds of material in one frock offers simple ways of reviving tired clothes. Many of the new day frocks have bodices which are colour contrasts to sleeves or skirt. To be smart the different coloured bodice must end just below the bust. New nightgowns are in three colours. One design has a high-waisted skirt of dark blue georgette and tiny draped bodice half pink, half blue. Some pyjama tops also feature the colour contrast theme. They may have a contrasting bolero jacket and fringed sash.

Linen and velvet hang together in wide skirted evening dresses. White cotton is trimmed with black velvet, and glazed linens introduce a second colour in godets inlet. Linen, this simplest of materials, made up what was probably the most expensive dress among thousands of costly models in the recent Paris collections. It was an Alix creation. The two feet deep flounce, which broke the skin-fitting line of the dress at the knees, was composed of over 500 tiny triangles of linen. Each of these tiangles had to be washed and stiffly starched before being delicately embroidered together.

New Arrivals in French Community

The M. M. liner Chenonceaux brought to Shanghai last Wednesday Mme A Grenier and her children, Madeleine and Louis. Mme Grenier is the wife of Lt.-Colonel Grenier, who will succeed Colonel Perretier as Commanding Officer of the French Forces in Shanghai.—Skvirsky.

Return of The Hands-Spanned Waistline

Without Corseting, The Line Fails

Not even the least observant onlooker could fail to be impressed by women's newly returned waists. The whole look is changed when the formerly straight-as-a-lath young persons suddenly develop the most feminine curves and waists which look as if you could span them with your hands. Nor is it only the young women. Any woman with interest in looks has become desirous of returning to this femininity. The dress collections, now on, show rounded hips, rounded bosoms, gallantly high, and well indicated waists for clients of all ages. Much may be done by the cut and trim of a dress, but in truth it is the corsetiere who has to help in showing the new picture of women.

In one of the London dress parades frocks and coats were shown with all the correct shoulder interest that is now expected, with yokes, frills, and sleeve cuts that kept the eye high and wide in its outlook, then with skirt hem interest of stiffened lines or frills and flounces. Yet every dress that passed by failed of its purpose. It seemed only a caricature of the new mode. What was lacking? The mannequin was uncorseted. There was a long, straight, uninteresting area between the high bust and the waistline lying on the top of the hip-bone. It was the lack of corseting which ruined the whole dress show.

What are the corsets that women are buying this season, and what are the ones which they ought to be buying if they want to combine health with beauty and also with fashion?

Bulk Whittlers

The head of what is perhaps the most important corset department in London says that she is enthusiastic about the more womanly waistline, and that it is going to be of great benefit to women, and, above all, to older women. "I don't think women realize how easy it is to get rid of that look of fleshiness. They get used to thinking of themselves as heavy or bulky figures, not realizing that it is only because the flesh is in the wrong place, where Nature never intended it, that they look so big and heavy. It is amazing how the look of bulk can vanish when it is properly controlled. It may not be possible to keep your hair or your skin in condition when you are old—of that I know nothing—but of one thing I am sure, that any woman can keep a beautiful figure as long as she likes if she only takes care."

The Boned Belts

But let us go back and see what the young and fairly slim do to attain the really womanly figure again. "They must wear their belts higher if they are to have real waistlines: that is essential. And if they are wearing belts only, then there must be light boning back and front if the fabric is not to turn over: I stress 'back as well as front,' for the front boning alone will only cause the belt to stand away from the figure. Alternatively, if they do not like even the lightest of little bones, they wear a controlette, an all-in-one. As it is, most of our young customers wear belts and 'bras' and the larger women all wear controlettes.

"I want to stress the importance of brassieres. I can do more to make women younger and trimmer with the aid of better bust bodices than I can even with the best corsets. It is in their use that women have lagged behind for years, and now suddenly realize what uplift and good shaping can do for them."

In their own workrooms here a brassiere in tricoline is made which, graded from the small to the heavy woman, holds the bust beautifully erect, and minimizes it. Women who have gone on reordering the same (often shapeless) brassiere which gives them a shelf more than a figure above the waistline have been awakened to new possibilities once the new waistline has focussed their eyes on the natural lines.

A "Stay-Put" Line

Actual corsets, in one piece or in two, are getting lighter and lighter in texture, and yet are producing less bulky figures, smaller measurements, thanks to skill of cut. The boneless or very lightly boned garments for heavy figures not only give a look of greater sleekness, but if the tape-measure is passed round the hips the actual inches are fewer. While medium and young figures use the two-way stretch, the big figures depend for help on one-way-stretching elastic. It has seamless hips, so that no suggestion of corseting shows under even a chiffon gown, fits with a curve on the hipline, and is fashioned above and below, into the waist and again below the hips so that it cannot ride up. That is the line which stays in the evening where it was placed in the morning. Some have tiny gores fashioned in to give them spring.

Other women prefer front lacing corsets instead of fashioning in the elastic yarn to give the desire waistline, but generally this type is only used to re-educate the waist, so to say; to diminish one which has been neglected.

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For the young women who want not an extra fraction in thickness, petticoat slips are being made with deep elastic belts and real brassieres above, actually made by the makers of corsets. That eliminates the extra shoulder strap as well as the extra thickness. Elastic lace also is being matched to actual fabric lace so that no break is seen between the two. The younger women are also buying an increasing number of décolletée bodices which are strapless, made of fine lace, but boned up the sides and the front.

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One young customer recently demanded a twenty-two-inch waistline, though she had been registered as twenty-six in the days when waists were of no account. It was found that she could in fact easily measure as little as twenty-two, and a waisted corset of that measurement was made for her, though three fittings were asked for to make sure that it constricted her nowhere.

A Leave-Taker

Baroness Johan Beck-Friis, wife of the Swedish Minister to China, who left with her husband on Wednesday by the Potsdam en route for a holiday in Sweden.—Bain's.

Observations on April

FROM "RIDER'S BRITISH MERLIN," 1730

This month sow Hemp and Flax; pole Hops; set and sow all kinds of Garden-Herbs. Restore the liberty of the laborious Bee by opening her Hive. Bark Trees for Tanners, and let good Housewives mind their Gardens, and begin to think of their Dairies.

In Gardening ne'er this Rule forget,
For to Sow dry, and to Set wet.

The Use of Physick now becomes seasonable; as also Purging and Blood-letting. It is good to abstain from Wine, for many Diseases will be taken thereby, to the Ruin of many.

This Month the Pores of the Body are open, and apt to receive Physick, therefore this is the best Time to remove and prevent Causes of Sickness. Or for speedy remedy in Extremity, pray to God for a Blessing.

Five Finger Tips

Varnish will stay put longer if the nails are scrubbed thoroughly between the operations of removing old vanish and applying new.

To give a professional finish to the nail when varnishing, wrap a tiny twist of cotton wool round the flat end of an orange stick, dip in varnish remover and run stick round edges of the nail and under tips.

To avoid smearing your handiwork, remove varnish smudges on the skin around the nails when varnish on nails is perfectly dry.

If the nails are broken off short or are in bad condition generally, use a conservatively-coloured varnish and cover the whole nail. This will make the nails appear longer and will hide defects.

A spot of olive oil or perfumed brillantine rubbed on the nails after varnishing is good for nail and cuticle, and enhances the lustre of the lacquer.

S. W. A.

The next meeting of the Scandinavian Women's Association will take place on Thursday, April 6, at 4 p.m. in the French Club. After the business meeting Mrs. Donald Roberts, B.A. M.A., Lecturer in History at St. John's University, will speak on "A Background for Present-Day European Questions." Mrs. Roberts is well known in Shanghai for her lectures, and the topic should prove interesting at the present time.

From a Danish Kitchen

Traditional Recipes Suited To English Tastes

Danish housewives are supremely good cooks, and many of their fine traditional recipes would be certain successes in England. Unusual but not "outlandish," they would be welcomed by the conservative-minded husband and family as much as by the housewife longing to get a little variety into the weekly menu.

Goose with Prune Stuffing

Goose stuffed with apples and prunes is the traditional festive dish, the equivalent of turkey, and a very good one it is! Rub the inside of the bird with salt and pepper, and stuff it well with peeled and sliced apples sprinkled with sugar and previously soaked or scalded prunes. Roast in the ordinary way for two to three hours, with a little butter and enough water to cover the bottom of the roasting tin. Baste occasionally, and add more water as required.

Duck is excellent prepared in the same way, and so is pork. With all these go a thick, rich, dark brown gravy, potatoes cooked in sugar, and red cabbage with red currant jelly.

Potatoes Fried in Sugar.—Boil 1 lb of small round potatoes for 15 minutes with their skins on. Peel while still warm. Brown slightly in a hot saucepan 2 tablespoonfuls of butter or margarine and 1 tablespoonful of castor sugar. Add the potatoes, and cook gently until they are golden brown all over.

Red Cabbage.—Cut into four, remove stalk, and shred. Fry in a deep saucepan in butter or fat. Pour over it 1 teacupful of vinegar mixed with 2 tablespoonfuls of sugar, and leave to boil for 1 hour without lid. Add ¼ lb red currant jelly and mix well before serving.

Some Sweets

Apple Cake.—Peel and slice 2 lb apples and cook until soft. Sweeten to taste. Fry lightly 6 oz browned breadcrumbs mixed with 5 oz castor sugar and 5 oz butter or margarine in a deep, buttered baking tin put alternate layers of breadcrumbs and apple sauce, the top layer being crumbs. Pour a little melted butter over, and bake in a steady oven for ¾ hour. Turn out, and when cold cover with whipped cream.

Veiled Country Girl.—This is another characteristic Danish sweet. Grate a soup plateful of rye bread and mix with half the quantity of castor sugar. Dry in oven until slightly browned. Rub through fingers, mix into it ½ lb raspberry jam and spread on a round dish. When cold cover with ½ pint stiffly-whipped cream, and grate a little chocolate on top.

Poor Knights.—Put on a dish 12 crustless ½in. slices of white bread. Pour over them as much milk as they can absorb, then put on a sieve to drain. Beat 2 eggs, dip the slices, first in the egg, then in a mixture of sugar, browned breadcrumbs, and 1 teaspoonful powdered cinnamon. Fry in butter or margarine, sprinkle with sugar, and serve on a hot dish, with jam if liked.

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Wall Protection

Modern one-room flats and study-bedrooms have helped the cult of the divan. We have learned how to camouflage beds so that by day each becomes a streamlined settee in smartly tailored jacket. Gaily coloured cushions piled along the wall at the back add an air of luxurious comfort. After a time the owner of the divan begins to wonder how to clean off unsightly grease marks on the wall at head level.

It can be done with soft indiarubber and infinite patience. A better idea is to prevent the marks ever appearing to mar the plainness of modern walls. This means putting up a little wall-shield on the lines of the vanished valance our grandmothers favoured. The finished article should be 12-in deep and 2-yd long. A 12-in strip of chintz or cretonne 2½-yd in length is required. Hem or pipe the bottom edge, then gather and set into an inch-wide band measuring 2-yd in length. The frilled strip can be attached to the wall with six drawing pins set at equal intervals.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Motherwell's Winning Shots Come in Final Minutes

40,000 Scotsmen See Aberdeen Overcome in Replay of Cup Semi-Final at Glasgow

Glasgow, Mar. 29.

A CROWD of 40,539 Scotsmen braved cold and rainy weather here today to flock to Ibrox Park to see Motherwell conquer Aberdeen by 3-1 in the semi-final of the Scottish Cup. As a result of the victory, Motherwell will meet Clyde in the final. Early play in today's game favoured Motherwell, the team being slightly superior as regards gaining ground, but unable to convert this superiority into concrete form in the shape of goals. It was apparent even in the first few minutes that Motherwell's wingers would bear the main responsibility for victory or defeat, as they were given most of the ball. Aberdeen seemed unsettled, and the defence reeled under Motherwell's offensives, although it failed to give way.

Strauss started two crushing movements for Aberdeen, but they failed to produce any score, as the Motherwell backs and goalie repelled both attacks.

The first half ended with the score still at 0-0.

The resumption of play saw a new Aberdeen eleven take the field.

The players seemed imbued with a new fire, and a determination not to be denied.

A sudden raid carried the ball into Motherwell's penalty area, where Warnock drove a hard shot, the ball being deflected to Strauss.

Strauss kicked powerfully, and the ball struck a defending full-back and hurtled back to Scott, who crashed it into the net from fifteen yards out, to gain the first goal of the game.

Motherwell soon reasserted itself, and regained command of the situation, but displayed extremely poor finishing power when presented with golden opportunities.

Tense Moments

Mathie finally brought off the equalizing goal after twenty minutes, following a scramble in front of the goal mouth.

Then came the really dramatic part of the match.

Just three minutes from time, and with a replay staring them in the face, Motherwell scored again, when McCulloch drove the ball into the net after a fine cross pass from his wing man.

Bremner then added the third and final goal in the last minute of play, to make victory for his team doubly sure.

Detailed results are as follows:—

Scottish Cup Semi-final

Motherwell 3, Aberdeen 1

English League

1st Division

Charlton 3, Grimsby 1
Everton 2, Manchester United 0
Middlesbrough 8, Portsmouth 2
Stoke 5, Wolverhampton 3

3rd Division (South)

Bournemouth 5, Bristol Rovers 2

Scottish League

1st Division

Hearts 2, Albion 0.—Reuter.

Police Sports Draw Much Prowess

Open Events Expected to Produce Keen Rivalry Between Forces

With the coming Police Sports only three weeks ahead, interest in entries and probable results is now prominent as a topic of conversation in various local athletic circles. Sportsmen of several nationalities are now in strict training for both Police and Open events and if advance reports can be believed, this year's meet will surpass all previous records in the way of sheer prowess. In the Open competitions several previous winners will be defending their titles, but they are likely to receive the strongest opposition they have yet encountered.

In the Two Mile Team race, which should prove one of the highlights of the afternoon's sport, squads have been entered by the Seaforths, East Surreys, U.S. Marines and French Army. In addition seventeen Chinese sides, including the Powerful Lido unit, have signified their intention of competing. The Lido side will start favourites in an event that will be worth going a long way to see. Each team comprises four men, the team recording the lowest aggregate of points being winners, each man, of course, having to finish the gruelling course.

Grunt and Groan Event

The tug-o'-war, which this year will be decided at catch weights, has already attracted entries from the Police, East Surreys, Seaforths and French Forces (two teams). The fact that the pull will be one of ten feet will assist in levelling any advantage in weights that one side may possess. All teams are said to be very evenly matched, but the East Surreys have set their eyes on the massive cup presented for competition and it would come as no surprise to see them take it away.

Six teams have as yet sent in their names for the One Mile Invitation Relay, but the U.S. Marines with the assistance of Lieut. Funk, Aikman and Havriluk, of rugby football fame, will want a great deal of stopping. The Shanghai Waterworks, however, can be relied upon to give them all the opposition required.

Strong Contenders

In the 100 Yards Open, excellent competition can be anticipated between Aikman, Havriluk, Senichenko, Edwards and A. M. Fonseca with the last-named favoured to win. The 440 Yards Open, too, will be closely contested with the holder, F. Foyn, having to stave off challenges from Lieut. Funk, Havriluk, Aikman and Yanus. This should result in the title changing hands for, if Funk is fit, he should be able to get the better of the present holder. He races with his head and has a devastating burst of speed that should enable him to outdistance his competitors.

Two entries only have as yet been received for the popular Schoolboys Medley Relay, St. Francis Xaviers and the Shanghai American School having signified their intention of competing.

Interest in the purely Police events is running high and a very keen struggle can be looked forward to for the Divisional Championship.

Prokoffieff, former Russian Regiment luminary and Willie Ward, who previously competed under the colours of the Y.M.C.A., are now in the Force and they are likely to take several events between them, being outstanding all-round athletes.

All intending competitors and Clubs are requested to note that entries for this meet close on Monday, April 3, 1939 and that there definitely will be no post entries. Entry forms may be secured from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. G. H. Wade, Traffic Office, Police Headquarters, 185 Foochow Road.

Seekingjao Teeing Off Times for Week-end

For week-end golf at Seekingjao, the following schedule of teeing off times has been arranged.

Seekingjao Saturday

12.52 Meyerink, Willson
12.56 Fistere, Relerstad
1.04 Huggett, Germ
1.08 MacFarlane, McDonald
1.12 Neumann, Kelen/Parry, Jones
1.24 Poulsen, Corbett
1.28 MacFarlane, Underwood
1.32 Kench, Ramplin/Bungey, Davis
1.44 King, Jourdin
1.48 Stevenson, Browne
1.52 Bell, Drysdale/Cizek, Russell
2.04 Openshaw, Maughan
2.08 Piper, Smith/Walker, Munn
2.16 Deegan, Burnett
2.24 Lurton, Ross (4 Ball)
2.28 Saphiere, Marken (4 Ball)
2.32 Riddick, Monk
2.36 Mrs. Nutter, Mrs. Dittman
2.44 Mrs. Riddick, Partner
2.48 Harper, Braidwood
2.52 Mrs. Germ, Mrs. Harper

Seekingjao Sunday

8.28 Hartnett, Rogers
8.32 Neumann, Ashworth
8.36 Cizek, Jourdin/Merritt, Marks
8.48 Stevenson, Kwilecki
8.52 Chalmers, Woolley
9.04 Riggs, Ballingall/Clark, Smith
9.12 Meyerink, Morrison
9.16 Way, Crowther/Kench, Ramplin
9.28 Lewis, Wilson
9.32 Saphiere, MacDonald
9.36 Blackwood, Pearson
9.44 Bell, Pratt/Parry, Brister
9.52 Piper, Brown/Russell, Dixon
10.04 Huggett, McCutcheon
10.08 Deegan, Burnett/Willson, Davies
10.16 Monk, Riddick/Judd, Kennedy
10.28 Openshaw, McNicoll
10.32 Mrs. Riddick, Parker
10.36 Harper, Mrs. Harper
2.04 Bungey, Davis
2.24 King, Sawyer

Ten-Pin Title Play At Race Club

Final Placing Headed by Gonsalves and Chanturai; Cushman, Fuller Second

No effort was spared by F. M. Gonsalves who, in partnership with Chanturai, captured the Shanghai Men's Doubles Ten Pins Championship at the Race Club last night when the third and final round was brought to a close. The champions finished 63 pins ahead of their closest rivals.

Hale was again outstanding as an individual. He registered a magnificent triple of 637, with a single of 244. Both were the best marks recorded in the competition and, as a result, he helped Blake, his partner, to make another big climb from fourteenth to ninth position.

Eight pairs out of 29 exceeded the 3,000 mark. Deegan and Evans, hitherto second in rank, dropped in a surprising manner as the former garnered 464 and the latter 410. The list of the first eight pairs follows:—

Gonsalves ..	1,121	186	202	179	567	
Chanturai ..	1,147	147	166	186	499	
	2,268				1,066	3,334
Cushman ..	1,120	209	209	194	612	
Fuller	989	183	165	203	551	
	2,109				1,163	3,272
Krause	1,014	185	201	131	517	
Carson	1,065	144	177	165	486	
	2,079				1,003	3,082
Messersmith..	962	185	215	176	576	
Fitzjarrell ..	988	169	236	162	567	
	1,950				1,143	3,093
Campbell ..	1,026	178	171	149	498	
Jacobs	1,049	146	157	197	500	
	2,075				998	3,073
Hilden	1,062	137	172	191	500	
Squires	928	227	147	178	552	
	1,990				1,052	3,042
Hartnett	970	190	154	144	488	
Kloverkorn ..	1,022	165	201	169	535	
	1,992				1,023	3,015
Blake	851	161	167	136	464	
Hale	1,092	244	225	168	637	
	1,923				1,101	3,044

Women Interporters Prepare for Battle

Two Practice Games This Week-End Arranged

The Shanghai Ladies Hockey Interport XI will receive final coaching instructions from Capt. W. G. Clarke when the team turns out for two practice games this week-end at Kiaochow Park, starting at 2.45 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

The Interporters will meet an Army team picked by Capt. J. R. Cole tomorrow and on Sunday they are to meet the Rest of Shanghai.

Hongkong possesses a stronger team and is favoured to win. The local side, in the two trials last week-end, failed to show teamwork. The forward line was broken up as the two wingers had little opportunity to display their wares on the Probable team. Mrs. J. McKeown, through occasional passes by Miss D. Eardley, sent in several good centres but Miss U. Berg was practically starved on the left flank.

Capt. Clarke, the coach, expects to see more teamwork in this week-end's practices so that Shanghai may be able to give Hongkong a stiff fight for Interport honours.

Amateur Billiards Wizard

K. Kennerley, the English Amateur Billiards Champion, making a shot during his match with Harold Terry in the Amateur Billiards Championships at Burroughes and Watts recently.

Y.B.C. Annual Meeting

Mr. Beattie to Remain President; Two Teams Will Enter League

The Yangtszepoo Bowling Club held its annual general meeting yesterday evening at the Shanghai Engineers' Club, the President, Mr. L. Beattie, being in the chair. Before opening the meeting Mr. Beattie asked those present to stand as a token of respect to Mr. J. Wotherspoon, a popular member of the Club, who passed away during the past season.

The minutes of the last annual general meeting were read and passed. As regards the accounts, these were considered to be in a healthy condition in spite of the loss which was shown on the working account. This loss arose from extraordinary expenditure due the results of the hostilities. Before putting the motion that the accounts should be passed the Chairman tendered his thanks for the services rendered by Messrs. J. A. Morton and R. Fyfe for auditing the figures.

The election of the committee and the officers for the coming year then took place. Three members of the outgoing committee are proceeding on leave. The three remaining members, Messrs. W. A. Bailey, R. Fyfe and A. Sharp plus Messrs. W. Grant, F. C. McPherson and C. Thompson were elected to serve for the coming year. As the present Secretary, Mr. W. McMahon would also be absent during the summer Mr. R. M. Jordon was elected to take his position. The remaining officers will, by unanimous assent, remain the same as during the past season viz: President, Mr. W. Beattie, vice-president, Mr. D. B. Scrimegour, captain, Mr. W. R. Chisholm and vice-captain, Mr. W. Simpson.

The meeting was then thrown open for discussion, the first question being the number of teams to enter in the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association League. Although the ranks of playing members will be somewhat depleted during the season it was decided that a team should be entered in both the first and the second divisions.

Clubhouse to Be Improved

The incoming committee was authorized to spend sufficient money to put the clubhouse into a more presentable condition. In order to get back to something approaching the old degree of comfort, further repairs and replacements would have to be made, new furniture and certain fitting being required An estimate had already been made and the committee was asked to proceed with the work as soon as possible.

Matters concerning the greens were then dealt with, it being decided to have these open every day of the week. Also it was agreed that members of the Police Recreation Club, Lawn Bowls Section, who were resident in the neighbourhood should be invited to make use of the Club, and also members of the Shanghai Fire Brigade stationed in Yangtszepoo.

Before closing the meeting, the President said that he felt sure that he was expressing the sentiments of members in voicing his gratitude to Mr. Kerr of the Parks and Open Spaces for all that this gentleman had done for them and he also wished to thank Mr. McMahon for so ably having carried out his duties of hon. secretary.

Valuable Players Leaving

Mr. Fyfe proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Beattie stating that it was a pleasure to all that this gentleman would undertake the post of President for another season.

A stock-taking made after the meeting indicated that this year the Yangtzsepoo Bowling Club are losing a number of valuable players. A. Cheetham and H. Finnigan, two of the skips, will be on leave whilst other League players, J. O. Drysdale, R. Matheson, C. R. Tanner and, as stated, H. McMahon will also be absent. J. Findlater, who took part in some of the Association games will be away.

Rugby League Results

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 29.

The following are the results of Rugby League matches played today:

Hunslet 15, Bramley 6
Huddersfield 5, Bradford 0
York 4, St. Helen's Rec. 3.—Reuter.

Eclipse Stakes of India

London, Mar. 30.

One I Love, ridden by W. Sibritt, won the Eclipse Stakes of India, the Blue Riband of the Indian Turf, over a course of one and a quarter mile at Bombay. One I Love is owned by the Maharaja of Kashmir.—Reuter.

Final Night of Women's Ten Pins Tourney

Mrs. McDonnell, Mrs. Hale Win First Honours

Mrs. McDonnell and Mrs. Hale captured the Shanghai Ladies Ten Pins Doubles Championship yesterday evening as they breezed through the third and final round of competition in the Foreign Y.M.C.A. alleys, gaining a grand aggregate of 2,945 pins.

Misses McIntyre and Hykes, finishing fourth in the first round, were the runners-up as they gathered 2,770 pins to trail by 175 points.

Third honours were closely contested between the combination of Mrs. Deegan and Mrs. Lamneck and the partnership of Mrs. Mortimer and Miss Hughes, leaders of the first round. The first-named pair finished seven pins ahead at 2,640 to 2,633.

The best individual performance in the whole series was made by Miss Hughes who tripled 532, including a single of 207.

Complete results were:—

	1st & 2nd round(s)	3rd round	Grand Total
Mrs. McDonnell	1,003	514	1,517
Mrs. Hale	966	462	1,428
	1,969	976	2,945
Miss McIntyre	953	447	1,400
Miss Hykes	880	490	1,370
	1,833	937	2,770
Mrs. Deegan	961	482	1,443
Mrs. Lamneck	804	393	1,197
	1,765	875	2,640
Mrs. Mortimer	853	470	1,323
Miss Hughes	935	375	1,310
	1,788	845	2,633
Mrs. Gray	853	374	1,227
Mrs. Davis	809	473	1,282
	1,662	847	2,509
Mrs. Horton	830	424	1,254
Mrs. Cardwell	776	471	1,247
	1,606	895	2,501
Mrs. Brand	790	376	1,166
Mrs. Von Aster	804	459	1,263
	1,594	835	2,429
Mrs. Collaco	894	411	1,305
Mrs. Kwok	781	340	1,121
	1,675	751	2,426
Mrs. Krulak	812	412	1,224
Mrs. Nelson	771	337	1,108
	1,583	749	2,332
Mrs. Evans	709	437	1,146
Mrs. Jensen	716	431	1,147
	1,425	868	2,293
Mrs. Manney	711	403	1,114
Mrs. Dalton	708	384	1,092
	1,419	787	2,206
Mrs. Alfes	720	335	1,055
Mrs. Harvey	683	378	1,061
	1,403	713	2,116

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Police Rugby Men Entertain

Flourishing Condition of Lawmen's XV Emphasized At Dinner Party

A most successful evening was spent at the Police Club on Wednesday evening, when the Rugby Football Section of the Police Recreation Club held an informal dinner party to celebrate the official closing of the season. Some fifty members, including Maj. K. M. Bourne, Mr. A. H. Samson, President, Capt. H. M. Smyth, Mr. E. C. Baker, Mr. L. R. Hocking, the captain, and present and past members were in attendance.

Among the guests of honour invited were Mr. A. M. Kennedy, captain of the Shanghai Rugby Union Football Club, Mr. H. W. Carter, Chairman of the Committee of the same Club, Mr. J. W. M. Martin, Mr. J. March, Mr. G. M. Mills, Mr. W. J. Richmond, Mr. P. Laroche, Mr. E. R. West and Mr. M. L. Bevan.

Welcoming the visitors, Mr. Hocking voiced the sentiments of the members of the Police Rugby Club, by pointing out that the relations that exist between the parent rugger body in Shanghai and its Police offspring were never more cordial and that much of the success enjoyed by the Police during the past year has been due to the timely co-operation lent by the various committeemen of the Shanghai Rugby Union Football Club in encouraging and helping their *confreres* in the Force in competitive play. Mr. Samson, too, was warmly thanked for the manner in which he had so ably carried out his duties in his first year of office.

Mr. Richmond and later Mr. Mills, in reply, stated that the season's activities indicated without a shadow of doubt that Police rugger was in a most flourishing condition and that, despite the many burdens team members had to shoulder in the way of their everyday duties, there was every sign that the Police XV would offer even stronger opposition next year than hitherto.

An excellent cinematograph exhibition of wartorn Shanghai in 1937 and early 1938 and an impromptu concert concluded an evening that was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Rugby Union Results

London, Mar. 29.

The following are the results of Rugby Union matches played today: Bridgend 22, Newport 14; United Hospitals 24, Dominions Students 14. The latter match was played at Newport.—Reuter.

"Daily Mail" Golf Tourney Begins

Cotton and Denny Take Lead in First Round

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Bournemouth, Mar. 29.

The following is the result of the first round of the "Daily Mail" £2,000 golf tournament:—

1. Henry Cotton (Ashridge) and Cecil Denny (Thorpe Hall), 69;

2. H. R. Manton (Sandsworth) and A. J. Lacey (Berkshire) 70.

3. Cox (Wimbledon Park) and C. A. Whitcombe (Crews' Hill) 72.

Last year's winner, Alfred Perry, and the open champion, Reginald Whitcombe, each scored 81.—Reuter.

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For further information regarding Sweeps apply to A. W. OLSEN, 304 Mohawk Road.

Poise and Skill Required

Victims of Central Station Suffer the "Trembles" As Police Darts Hit the Mark

By Nineteen Split

TAKING a page out of the Gordon Road Station team's book, the side from Central Station went mad on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings in the Shanghai Open Darts League, playing three matches and decisively winning the lot and collecting eight most valuable points in the process to put them head and shoulders above any other side in the standings. The Shanghai Volunteer Corps Sergeants' Mess were the first victims on Tuesday night, when they visited the "cops" cocoanut board at Central Station.

The result was more or less a foregone conclusion, especially when the R.S.M. turned up with only two moth-eaten darts which he is alleged to have found in 'Ole Bill's car, that worthy having departed a few days ago on a seven months' trip to Blighty and 'Ounsditch. Nobody, however, expected him to record the winning double in the second frame of the rubber, but win it he did!

Central Station had already taken the first game and was playing for a double "top" in the second with the S.V.C. coming up on the rails, when the much maligned R.S.M., stepping up to the mark for a double nine, sent his one remaining moth-eaten arrow bang into the necessary bed to level the score at one each.

Tremendous applause marked this effort of skill and concentration but quickly subsided when the policemen got away to a flying start in the final leg which they secured with ease while the opposing team was still celebrating with the sergeant-major.

Streamlined Carrot Dart

Wimsett for the "cops" and Koolesh of the Volunteers, were outstanding scorers, the former recording 140 twice, while the latter with a delightful "3" earned for himself a chromiumplated, streamlined carrot dart, with which he was duly presented at the end of an epic encounter.

Following this match and still on their own "door-mat," Central Station created the second sensation of the week by "whitewashing" the once powerful, but now drooping, East Surreys Sergeants, when the best they had anticipated was a 2-1 decision against them. The home team having imbibed freely during the earlier struggle against the S.V.C., however, was by now well fortified and with Wimsett going strong on the treble twenties, rapidly forged ahead and took the first leg in its stride.

Before the amazed visitors had recovered, Central Station were galloping ahead once more, each player concentrating on his allotted numbers and with a few more hand shakes with Messrs. U. B. and McEwan, were pinning their final doubles in the "door-mat" to secure the second game with ease. (Real "Old Bull and Bush" stuff, this)!

Remarkably Feeble Score

After a few more pick-me-ups, the final round started, but it was almost the same as the previous two in which the Londoners seldom got within a couple of hundred points of their rivals, Central running out in easy style to complete their win of 3-0. Mention should be made of the presentation made to R.S.M. Vaughan in the shape of a highly embossed, triple plated, sporran-type dart (with feathers to match) for his magnificent score of "1" (a single at that) during the match. These poor old R.S.Ms!

Continuing their aggressive tactics at the Ward Road Jail on Wednesday evening, Central Station had the opponents beaten before the latter had had time to consume their John Barleycorn refreshments. Phinn distinguished himself by "getting-off" with his first throws on two occasions and with Wimsett, Gammie and the Liverpool Irishman—yes! his name is Kelly—hitting the treble twenty with exceptional accuracy, it was an easy matter for the Central lads to "whitewash" the Ball and Chain Gang.

Jail Champion Has "Trembles"

Even "Bill" Read, Jail champion at shooting (not darts), had an attack of the "trembles" ('sno earthly use when throwing arrows), while the marker was so flabbergasted at the way in which the policemen were hitting the high spots, that on occasions he failed to call the correct scores.

Thus, in less than an hour, Central Station had added another convincing victory and three more valuable points to their record. And, very naturally, they consider themselves serious contenders for championship honours. They mean business and I, for one, feel sorry for their next opponents.

Canidrome Results

1—440 yd. flat.—1, Vita Spermin 2, Arrow.
Also ran:—Swallow, Princeton, Rio Tinto, Silver Days.
7 lengths.—Time, 27.51.
Win, $29.30. Forecast (1-3) Div. $164.90.
Place, 1st $9.80; 2nd $13.30.
2—500 yd. flat.—1, Wild Wind; 2, Jacqueline.
Also ran:—Mr. Ching, Terminjay, Lady Rue, Mascot Major.
A head.—Time, 31.41.
Win, $25.10. Forecast (2-5) Div. $115.80.
Place, 1st $10.60; 2nd $7.80.
Double Event 1/2 (1-2) Div. $90.90.
3—500 yd. flat.—1, Livex; 2, Brilliant Star.
Also ran:—Poppyland II, Se You Kee, Regal, The Skipper.
7 lengths.—Time, 30.84.
Win, $17.80. Forecast (4-5) Div. $71.40.
Place, 1st $8.10; 2nd $11.40.
Double Event 2/3 (2-4) Div. $45.90.
4—500 yd. flat.—1, Marble King; 2, Luss Shore.
Also ran:—El Gringo, Irish Molly, Banque Eve, Pearl's Fancy.
1 length.—Time, 30.66.
Win, $42.10. Forecast (5-4) Div. $121.60.
Place, 1st $23.50; 2nd $13.90.
Double Event 3/4 (4-5) Div. $65.70.
5—500 yd. flat.—1, Dad's Romance; 2, Lulla Dale.
Also ran:—Advance Guard, Skedaddle, Shenkoland II, Trumphant Tom.
Short head.—Time, 30.89.
Win, $56.40. Forecast (5-4) Div. $220.30.
Place, 1st $13.20; 2nd $8.60.
Double Event 4/5 (5-5) Div. $136.90.
6—500 yd. flat.—1, High Brow; 2, Eumaeus.
Also ran:—Jorrock's Alone, Pearl's Pet, Victory II, Baloney.
1 length.—Time, 31.28.
Win, $25.60. Forecast (6-6) Div. $54.50.
Place, 1st $8.60; 2nd $7.90.
Double Event 5/6 (5-3) Div. $225.90.
7—500 yd. flat.—1, Clara Dante; 2, Moody Mask.
Also ran:—Our Hope, Lieutenant, Bindoe Isunler, Chips.
1½ length.—Time, 30.59.
Win, $21.60. Forecast (5-2) Div. $125.30.
Place, 1st $20.80; 2nd $12.50.
Double Event 6/7 (3-5) Div. $74.90.
8—500 yd. flat.—1, Peony; 2, Ginger Bowster.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.66.
Win, $24.90. Forecast (5-4) Div. $157.70
Place, 1st $14.20; 2nd $15.30.
Double Event 7/8 (5-5) Div. $33.00.
9—500 yd. flat.—1, Viscountess; 2, Assurance.
4 lengths.—Time, 30.53.
Win, $17.20. Forecast (4-3) Div. $47.30.
Place, 1st $10.50; 2nd $8.50.
Double Event 8/9 (5-4) Div. $24.50.
10—525 yd. flat.—1, Gold Brick; 2, Star Boy.
1½ length.—Time, 31.82.
Win, $12.40. Forecast (1-4) Div. $40.40.
Place, 1st $7.30; 2nd $8.40.
Double Event 9/10 (4-1) Div. $20.80.
11—525 yd. flat.—1, So Far City; 2, Theydon Bois.
5 lengths.—Time, 30.96.
Win, $17.80. Forecast (3-6) Div. $131.20.
Place, 1st $13.60; 2nd $19.90.
Double Event 10/11 (1-3) Div. $19.60.

British Naturalization Legislation

London, Mar. 29.

The British Government is considering the introduction of a legislation to enable residents in the mandated territories to become eligible for naturalisation as British subjects. It is, however, not yet possible to say when such a legislation is likely to be introduced.—Wireless through Reuter.

Ranking of British Boxers Issued

Len Harvey Heads Two Weight Divisions

London, Mar. 28.

The British National Boxing Association has issued the positions of the leading British fighting at four weights. Under the "Ladder" plan the men move up or down each time they win or lose to the man on the adjoining rung. The positions are:—

Heavyweight: 1, Len Harvey; 2, Eddie Phillips; 3, Larry Gains; 4, George James; 5, Jack London; 6, Jim Wilde; 7 Harry Lister.

Light-Heavyweight: 1, Len Harvey; 2, Jock McAvoy; 3, Jack Hyams; 4, Tommy Martin; 5, Darkie Ellis; 6, Bob Firman; 7, Tom Reddington; 8, Charlie Bundy.

Middleweight: 1. Jock McAvoy; 2, Ginger Sadd; 3, Jack Hyams, 4, Eddie Maguire; 5, George Davis; 6, Dave McGleave; 7, Ben Valentine; 8. Nat Franks.

Welterweight: 1. Jake Kilrain; 2, Ernie Roderick; 3, Harry Mizler; 4, Norman Snow; 5, Lefty Flynn; 6, Jim Lawler; 7, George Odwell; 8. Frank Erne.—Reuter.

U.S. Reorganization Bill Passes

Washington, Mar. 30.

The House of Representatives climaxed a bitter two-year fight today when it completed Congressional action on the Administration's governmental reorganization bill. The bill now goes to the White House for President Roosevelt's signature.

The bill permits the President to issue reorganization orders which become effective unles both houses of Congress disapprove of them within 60 days. It is a compromise bill drafted after Congress defeated the President's original reorganization bill in the last session.—United Press.

Collared on the Line

A St. Thomas' Hospital player (stripes) brought down on the line by a member of Guy's Hospital during the rugby semi-final match on the Richmond Athletic Ground recently.

Annual Meeting of King's Daughters

Society Reports Enlarged Activities

The annual general meeting of the King's Daughters' Society was held on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. H. C. Hopkins, 158 Edinburgh Road, and was well attended.

The annual report having been in the hands of members for some days, the President gave a short survey of the year's work, paying a tribute to all the circles and the various Committees for their hard work and devotion. It was encouraging, Miss Jansen said, to realize that a Society which has existed for over 47 years has not outlived its usefulness, but, on the contrary, has enlarged its sphere of activities. The visiting of the hospitals; the care of the many cases who apply for help to the Charity Organization Committee; the providing of comfort, rest and renewed health to women and children; the supplying of clothes to the needy—these are some of the ways in which the King's Daughters try to help a little. Special mention was made of the improvement in the carrying out of philanthropic work in Shanghai since the establishment of the Associated Foreign Charities.

The Treasurer gave some interesting details of the expenditure during the year, amplifying, in some cases, the figures given in the report. She made a point of the remarkable way in which funds have suddenly come in to help us to carry on, at times when the financial outlook has been dark and apparently bankruptcy stared us in the face.

New Officers

The following were elected to serve on the Executive Committee during the current year:—

President, Miss M. Jansen; Vice-Chairman, Mrs. H. H. Morris; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. E. Fanthorpe, Asst. Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. D. Mortimer; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. V. Arnold-Jones Asst. Hon. Secretary, Mrs. A. Nash.

Chairman of the Charity Organization Committee, Mrs. W. C. Bond; Secretary of the Charity Organization Committee, Mrs. E. Bettison; Chairman of the Western Circle, Mrs. K. Newcomb; Chairman of the Jansen Circle, Miss N. Pugh; Chairman of the Gaskin Circle, Mrs. W. F. Rankin; Chairman of the Convalescent Home, Mrs. H. E. Harris; Chairman of the Hospital Visiting Committee, Mrs. F. W. Poate; Chairman of the Clothing Committee, Mrs. J. J. Evans; Chairman of the House and Membership Committee, Mrs. W. J. Brown.

The Entertainment Committee, formed to raise funds during the current year reported that a bridge and mahjongg tea has been arranged to take place in the guests' green room of the Shanghai Race Club on April 27. It is hoped to arrange a children's concert or entertainment before the summer. A fun fair will be held in September and a variety performance in November.

The President brought the Anti-Spitting Campaign, sponsored by the Joint Committee, to the notice of the meeting and urged all members to do their best to support it.

Japanese Cable Rates Reduced

Annual Loss Expected To Total Y.1,000,000

Tokyo, Mar. 29.

Effective from April 1 this year, the Ministry of Communications is to make a general reduction in charges for cables destined abroad, including those sent to American and European countries.

According to the new measure, the charge of Y.2.55 per word between Tokyo and New York, which is at present in force, will be reduced to Y.2.47 per word. The charge of Y.2.38 per word between Tokyo and points in Europe will be reduced to Y.2.32. The Ministry of Communications, through the present reduction, will, it is announced, suffer a loss of about Y.1,000,000 annually.—Reuter.

Dead Foreigner Found in Seymour Road Market

A foreigner of the beggar class, believed to have been a Russian, was found dead in the Seymour Road market early yesterday morning. The man was dressed in grey trousers and a blue jacket and his age was believed to have been about 42. Settlement police authorities are now seeking relatives of the deceased, or anyone who could identify the corpse, which is now lying in the Kiaochow Road mortuary.

Many More Bibles Are Distributed

Hostilities Have Small Effect on Demand

The fact that the number of Bibles distributed in China has shown a large increase during the past year was stressed by Mr. Henry T. Silcock of the British Universities Committee and the Right Rev. Bishop John Curtis in their talks before the annual meeting of the China Bible House held yesterday afternoon at the Union Church Hall.

The Right Rev. Bishop W. P. Roberts, who acted as chairman of the meeting, referred in his introduction of the speakers to the increased demand for Bibles in the interior of China, where the present hostilities have made their delivery especially difficult. In spite of these difficulties, however, various ways have been found to send the much needed books to those localities where they will do the most good.

Mr. H. T. Silcock gave an interesting account of the various ways in which conversions have been made through the sole medium of the scriptures and complimented the society upon the work it has done during the last year.

Bishop Curtis, who has just returned to Shanghai from the interior, related several incidents which occurred during his visit, which showed how much the work of the society means to the Chinese who are at present suffering much as a result of the hostilities.

The meeting was held in connection with the annual printed report of the society. The report, which contains a record of the work done during the past year, gives many interesting accounts furnished by members of the Bible House who are working in all parts of China. Bibles have been distributed not only to thousands of Chinese but to many Japanese as well. A letter from one member tells of his experience with a Japanese sentry who, upon learning that he was carrying a number of Bibles to Chinese refugees, allowed him to pass without questioning.

An interesting exhibit of the various forms in which the scriptures are printed was held in connection with the meeting. According to a report issued by the London offices of the British Bible Society, Christian literature has been printed in more than 1,600 languages and dialects.

Gypsy and Russians Charged with Theft

A 20-year old Serbian gypsy and two Russian youths all living in the Wayside District were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday and charged with attempted larceny and also with being in possession of heroin. All of them denied the attempted larceny charge but one of the Russian boys admitted that he possessed several packages of contraband when he was arrested. Judgment was reserved until the next week.

Police evidence was that on Tuesday the trio bought the contraband from a Korean in the French Concession and that while returning to their home in the Wayside district in a bus running on Nanking Road they tried to steal money from the bus conductor. They were alleged to have been caught red-handed and sent to the Central Police Station where two of them were found in possession of heroin packages.

Cholera Precautions Described

Useful Hints by French Health Department

This is the second of a series of brief articles issued by the French Concession Health Department advocating precautions against a possible cholera epidemic.

Cholera is a disease of the digestive tract. Should the normal digestive functions be disturbed, it would favour the action of microbes with eventual cholera contamination. Therefore, when an epidemic is threatening special attention should be given to strict alimentary hygiene.

Do not drink unboiled water; it is always more reliable to have drinking water thoroughly boiled. An excessive amount of liquid, or cold drinks, would attenuate the antiseptic effect of the gastric juice.

Do not consume raw vegetables or fruit without having them thoroughly disinfected with a solution of potassium permanganate.

Do not buy fruits which have been pealed or sliced, nor any food not freshly prepared or unsound.

But one must: Maintain his personal cleanliness as well as of his neighbours: Cholera comes from dirty hands;

Maintain cleanliness in the house and in the neighbourhood; garbage of any sort favours fly breeding, and flies are carriers of cholera.

Be inoculated against cholera.

Chen Loh Funeral Will Be Held on Sunday

Official funeral services for the late Mr. Chen Loh, former Minister of Foreign Affairs in the "Reformed Government," who fell a victim to terrorist assassins in Shanghai during the Chinese New Year holidays, will be held in Nanking on April 2, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday.

Religious services for all "Reformed Government" officials who have been slain by terrorists were observed on Wednesday, the daily stated.

HOLY WEEK 1939

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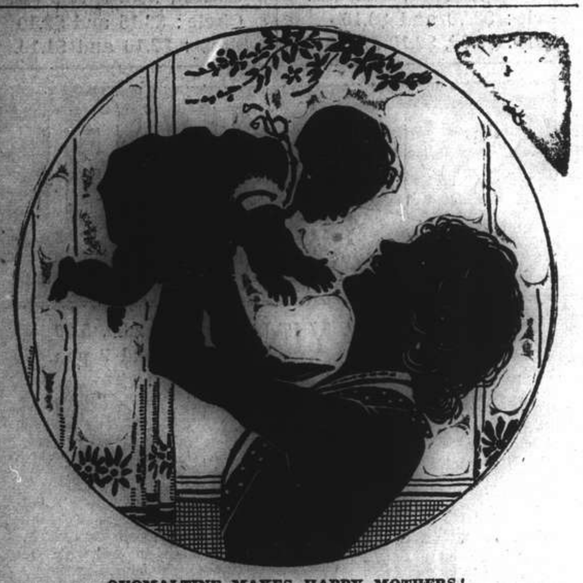

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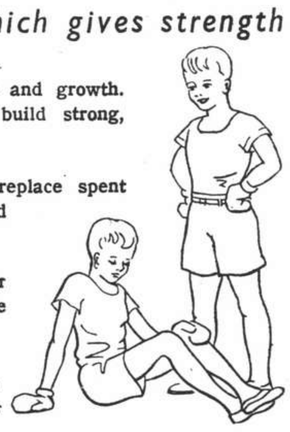

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IN MEMORIAM

BRISTER.—In loving memory of FLORENCE BRISTER, beloved wife of Joseph Fanc Brister and mother of Audrey and Sheila. March 31, 1936.

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UNCOMPROMISING REPLY

M. Daladier, the French Premier, has replied to Signor Mussolini's speech of Sunday last. In an address, which is almost epigrammatic in quality, he has made it quite clear that, while the French Government is prepared to consider the Italian demands concerning Tunis, Djibuti, and Suez, there can be no question of any surrender on essential points. In fact what he has adumbrated is that France is prepared to negotiate only upon the basis supplied by the Laval-Mussolini agreement of 1935. The reply is a firm one, delivered in perfectly conciliatory language, but at the same time leaving no doubt as to the French position with regard to the Italian demands. M. Daladier makes a good point when he declares that the Italian contention that the conquest of Abyssinia creates new rights in favour of Italy cannot be accepted. It is a doctrine which both parties to the Rome-Berlin axis have been preaching, with enthusiastic imitation by Japan. Nevertheless it is an untenable one, for it means that every new conquest, every new concession would open new rights, and every claim satisfied would contain within itself the seed of new demands. From every point of view this is a state of affairs which cannot be justified. If it is accepted as being correct then every advantage gained by a wrongful act would be justification for a further modification in the general situation, and it is quite clear that acceptance of such a contention would be to agree to the system of opportunist logic with which the governments forming the axis have sought by specious argument to bolster up a case which has little foundation in justice. France being ready for a complete, and loyal execution of the 1935 agreements, and within their spirit to examine any proposal which may be advanced M. Daladier has more definitely stated the French case than Signor Mussolini the Italian. If Tunis, Djibuti and Suez do indeed present problems for Italy, they are of Italy's own making. Tunis was disposed of in 1935, Djibuti and Suez arise only from Italy's own conduct.

Coincident with M. Daladier's declaration is the statement made in the House of Commons concerning the increase in the British Territorials. That they are immediately to be brought up to war strength, and then doubled, means that Mr. Chamberlain is determined to explore to the fullest extent the possibility of increasing Britain's military strength by voluntary means. To those who are firmly of the opinion that the only real solution of the problems, in light of all the circumstances, is conscription, and that as soon as possible, the decision will be unwelcome. There is, however, this to be said about it,—voluntary armies are preferable from the British point of view to those composed of conscripts. The only real question about which there can be any doubt is as to whether the British Government will obtain that response without which Mr. Chamberlain's scheme must be a failure. On the face of it, the fact that the Territorial army is at present from 30,000 to 40,000 under normal strength, does not suggest that the scheme is receiving all the support which it should. If that gap were filled up rapidly there would be some ground for believing the additional 170,000 men would be easily obtained, but the fact that recent crises have not had the effect of bringing the Territorials up to normal strength rather discounts the probability of getting that very much greater number which is necessary to attain the newly contemplated war footing. On the other hand, now that a new goal has been set for recruiting, it is possible that by strenuous campaigning the enhanced figure may be reached. It is certainly worth trying, even if the period for the experiment cannot be unduly prolonged. There still remains the question of whether the French Government will be satisfied with the prospect of Britain being in such a position as to be able to dispatch overseas an expeditionary force of 32 divisions. Most certainly it is an improvement on the 19 divisions which are at the moment available, but the experiences of the last war give rise to considerable doubt whether even 32 divisions will be adequate. They most certainly will not be in the event of a long war.

Nevertheless the knowledge that Great Britain is prepared to go much further in her contribution to the safety of the Anglo-French understanding than was originally contemplated is a very considerable factor of strength. As such it may in the not too distant future tend to render the idea of a four Power mutual defence pact more acceptable than it at present appears to be in some quarters, for once it is made quite clear that the former policy, which seemed so uncertain, has been changed to one of decisive determination to resist any, and every form of aggression, the entry into practical politics of such a consideration must make any proposal for collective security much more attractive than it otherwise would have been. There can be little doubt that M. Daladier was informed of the British determination before he made his speech. It is not very likely that that knowledge had any very definite effect upon the general trend of the sentiments he expressed, but they have been very realistically emphasized by this latest British development. Those who fancy they see signs of possible aggression by either Great Britain or France arising out of these additions to national strength completely fail to understand the feelings current in those two countries. They are both animated by a desire for the fullest possible self-protection. Their very democratic constitutions are in themselves the best possible guarantee of the pacific qualities of their common policy, for it can be said without the slightest hesitation that if either the British or the French Governments dared to embark upon a war of aggression their political lives would be numbered. That, however, does not prevent M. Daladier from giving the direct uncompromising answer which he has done to the Italian demands. In the circumstances he could have done nothing else. The announcement by Mr. Chamberlain, however, has done much to strengthen the position of the Entente as a whole and that of France as an integral part, and Rome can now not have the slightest doubt as to the real facts of the situation.

Lieut.-Col. Perretier

Shanghai yesterday bade official farewell to Lieut.-Col. Perretier, Commandant of the French Garrison, who is leaving for France after three years in Shanghai. An international guard of honour saluted him in Soochow Road and his own command did him honours at the French Bund. Lieut.-Col. Perretier, who has been succeeded by Lieut.-Col. Grenier, is leaving for a short holiday in Japan and thereafter will sail for France. During the past few weeks, the retiring Commandant has been feted at many parties by French and other nationals for it can truly be said that no French commanding officer in years has achieved the international respect and esteem as Lieut.-Col. Perretier during the three years of his service in Shanghai. There has been a tendency in Shanghai to regard the French Concession and the International Settlement as distinct and separate national entities, but in the last few years, especially since the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities the community of interests has identified both areas in joint defence and more so in the personal side. Lieut.-Col. Perretier has proved himself in Shanghai to be as popular in international circles as with his own people and this is a tribute to the qualities of this extremely fine soldier and diplomat. He has had an unusual military career. He joined the French army as a private and through the broad conditions of service in the French army, based on Napoleon's precept that every soldier has a field marshal's baton in his knapsack, he rose to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. In 1914, when the war broke out, he established a reputation of receiving five promotions in one year, later obtaining a commission. Lieut.-Col. Perretier's service in the French army has embraced a wide area and many campaigns but probably no tour of duty has been more difficult than Shanghai where conflicting concepts of national authority demanded not only military alertness but qualities of greatest tact to avoid incidents of a serious character with which the situation, from time to time, has bristled. The thanks of the French Concession and the International Settlement will go with Lieut.-Col. Perretier on his departure.

Office Boy Mystery

Shanghai continues to assume queer publicity value in the estimation of some of the world's greatest newspapers. Here is a gem from the London "Daily Herald" by its Shanghai correspondent describing an event which appears to have slipped notice:

> In dozens of Shanghai offices this morning there was no response when impatient European managers shouted "Boy." The mystery of the mass disappearance of hundreds of Chinese office boys was explained tonight when it was disclosed that they had secretly slipped through the Japanese barriers to join the Chinese Army. Most of the boys, whose ages range between 15 and 20, were students at Shanghai night schools. For weeks an underground movement to join the Chinese army had been organized in the various classes. Last night the signal to join up was given. Dressed in peasant clothes, walking in groups of not more than a dozen at a time, the boys did not attract the attention of the Japanese sentries. Once in Chinese territory they were met by Chinese guerilla leaders, who conducted them to their various units. The boys will serve mainly as scouts and message-runners with the Chinese forces in Shanghai's surrounding provinces of Anhwei, Kiangsi and Hupeh.

It is a rather wide and sweeping geographical survey to say that the surrounding provinces of Shanghai are Anhwei, Kiangsi and Hupeh. The provinces of Chekiang and Kiangsu, which immediately surround Shanghai are not mentioned but, when you come to think of it, situated almost at the mouth of the Yangtze, it can really be stated that Shanghai is surrounded by the whole list of provinces constituting China.

Burdens From Riches

The enviable but nonetheless complex problems of rich men lie chiefly in what to do with the handsome revenues often derived and to be expected from well-invested wealth. It is this problem in terms of a great nation's abundance that is vexing the able members of President Roosevelt's Government. Officials of the United States Agriculture Department are reported to be determined to avoid any form of dumping excess stores of cotton and wheat abroad, and this makes comforting news. Dumping at short sight seems the easiest way out and has been adopted by some regimes as warrantable despite the dislocation and disruption such action invariably brings in the open market. Also at first sight it would seem that less fortunate peoples abroad would be denied cheap and much-needed supplies if the American market is closed or held too rigidly to its own high levels. Yet "gifts" bring repercussions unfavourable to American economy. Tersely put, the responsible attitude of the American Government is summed up by Mr. R. M. Evans, Agricultural Adjustment Administrator. Dumping, he acknowledges, leads to retaliation from those who can, and trade wars. It results also in excessively high costs to American consumers and passes bargains to foreign customers. In self-interest, therefore, world market will be spared the serious threat latent in dumping on the scale possible from the American Government if they subscribed to that policy. Nontheless, to refuse to dump and yet seek to maintain American agriculture vital and on an economic basis, leaves the problem of adjusting farm costs and consumer and distribution prices still to be solved. Subsidies are rarely warranted as a means and can never be sustained for long as an end. Because chief markets for wheat and cotton must also be in position to make other exchanges with the United States, it may evolve that the American Government may have to revise "penalty tariffs" against Germany and such against Japan as are contemplated if not yet in effect, as well as with other nations willing to buy but unable to find wherewithal to pay in terms and at prices suitable to the Americans for American supplies.

A COUNTRY DIARY

March 30.—As I stood beneath my poplar tree this morning watching the Magpies' nest, (I thought) I found the following letter written by my friend Maggie to her cousin in the Hungjao district; "My Dear Mags, this comes hoping to find you well as it leaves me at present; the manager of this establishment has just come back from Hongkong—as dumb as ever—and I think he is monkeying with the food again; I found some potato in the bread and milk this morning, and if this kind of thing goes on I shall give notice; it's most annoying just at this time of year when I have three eggs to care for.....you know how we women need all our strength at a time like this. Father is angry again because he had set his heart on five, and when he grumbled because I had produced only my usual three, I said to him, 'look here, my name's Maggie not Dionne'....so he flew off in a huff. Men are like that. How are things with you in the country now, dear? We are all very dull in the city and I have only had one good laugh in the past few weeks: it seems that one old gentleman who is a panda-fancier wrote to the paper about them, so another old gentleman wrote and contradicted him and we really didn't know what to make of it until it suddenly turned out that the second old gentleman had got all mixed up and was thinking of civet-cats—I laughed so much I nearly cracked the eggs. Well....I expect to have them hatched out within the next few days, and then our troubles will begin....and that big loafer of mine will have to do a little work for a change. By the way, dear, what is this rumour I hear about gorillas being seen in your part of the country? Is there anything in it? What with pandas, civet-cats and gorillas, I don't know what the world is coming to. Write to me soon, dear. Yours till the last worm turns, *Maggie.*

IN PARENTHESIS

At Home

"CHEER up, Nobby," said the shipwrecked sailor to his mate on the raft, "we can't be far from civilization. Look—there go a couple of bombers."

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Agreed

"HAVE your people agreed to our marriage, darlingest?"

"Not yet, preciousest. Dad hasn't said anything, and Mum's waiting to contradict him."

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Weather Wisdom

WHEN da-ay be done
Wi' rain or sun.
'Twill com again
Wi' sun or rain

* * *

Preventive

"ARE your neighbours honest?" the visitor asked the old negro.

"Yassir, dey is," replied the darkie.

"Then why do you keep that loaded shotgun near your hen-coop?"

"Dat," said the negro, meaningly, "is to keep 'em honest."

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Plenty of Time

"Now," said the magistrate to the chatty prisoner, "what have you got to say?"

"I've got a good deal to say if you'll only give me time," replied the prisoner angrily.

"Certainly," returned the magistrate blandly. "Six months!"

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Lock-Out

THE miner's wife had been waiting for her man all the evening, and at last getting tired of it, she locked all the doors of the house and went to bed. Before long she heard a violent hammering on the front door.

Opening the window she called out: "Where've you been all evening?"

"Ah've bin at t'club, lass," he said. "Tellin' t'lads aboot t'strike."

"Then tha can go back," came the uncompromising reply, as the window slammed down, "an' tell 'em all aboot t'lock-out!"

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Do it Again

THE golfer stepped up to the tee and drove off. The ball sailed straight down the fairway, leaped on to the green, and rolled into the hole. The golfer threw his club in the air with excitement.

"What have you suddenly gone crazy about?" asked his wife, who was trying to learn something about the game.

"Why, I just did a hole in one!" yelled the player, a wild gleam of delight in his eyes.

"Did you, dear?" asked his wife placidly. "Do it again. I didn't see you."

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Heard in Court

MAN: He said, "If your wife was not here I would knock your head off." My wife got up and left the room.

Counsel: You might not be an expert judge of speed, but give us a rough idea.

Woman witness: Half-past five.

Woman: I am not at all clear about what happened. I know my husband threatened to strike me, and I know that a few minutes later I was treating him for a black eye.

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Old Crock

Two fishermen named Smith, living near each other, had met with misfortune. One lost his wife and the other his boat. A lady visitor called by mistake on the man who had lost his boat, thinking he was the widower.

"Good-morning, Mr. Smith," she said. "I'm sorry to hear of your loss."

"Oh, it ain't much matter, mum," he replied. "She wasn't up to much."

"Dear me!" exclaimed his visitor. "You don't say so?"

"Yes. She was a rickety old crock. When I went out with her I was always in danger of my life. In fact, I offered her to my mate, but he wouldn't have her. I've had my eye on another for some time."

* * *

Mme. Gamp Victorious

ATTACKED at her front door in Paris by three young bandits who tried to snatch her bag, Mme. Alice Cannevas routed them with her umbrella.—Exchange.

Madame Cannevas was standing
At her door the other day,
When some bandits on the landing
Tried to snatch her bag away:
They were young but they were armed, and
They thought chivalry was rot,
But Madame was not alarmed and
So she gave it to them hot.

Yes, she flourished her umbrella
And she thrashed them out of sight,
No retiring Cinderella
She, but Right becoming Might:
Learning not at Neville's knees, she's
Turned her gamp into a flail:
Is the female of the species
Then more deadly than the male?

—By F. G. H. Salusbury in the "Daily Herald."

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	48.5	Max.	61.0
Same date, 1938	Min.	46.5	Max.	69.0

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Yesterday	Min.	48.0	Max.	61.0
Same date, 1938	Min.	39.2	Max.	67.8

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 29th:—Low and unsteady pressures in China. Depression over Mongolia. Prevailing easterly to southerly winds in China and over the Yellow Sea, easterly to northerly over the Eastern Sea. Fine to cloudy weather in the north. Overcast in the Yangtze Valley and over the Eastern Sea.

State on the morning of the 30th:—Pressures low over China, normal over Japan.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine to cloudy weather and variable breezes over northern China and over the Yellow Sea. Overcast getting fine and winds veering to the west over Central China and over our regions. Overcast with thundery showers and variable winds over the Eastern Sea. Overcast to cloudy and variable breezes around Formosa. Fogs along the Coast.—Siccawei Observatory.

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France Will Not Yield Inch of Territory

M. Daladier Declares Italian Claims Still Obscure; Parleys Only Possible on Basis of 1935 Accords; Rome's Argument Refuted

Paris, Mar. 29.

"I HAVE already said so and I maintain that we will not give away either a single inch of our territories or a single one of our rights," the Prime Minister of France, M. Edouard Daladier, proclaimed to the world this evening in his radio address which was re-broadcast later in five foreign languages, English, Italian, German, Spanish and Arabic. In it he declared France was willing to examine any Italian proposals for a settlement of the present tense situation but only within the framework of the Laval-Mussolini Accords of 1935. He denied that the Italian Note forwarded to Paris on last December 17 contained any specifications or any references to either the Suez Canal, Djibuti or Tunisia.

M. Daladier asserted that it was on behalf of France that he was appealing for the co-operation of all nations determined to stand by peace. He emphasized that this appeal has already found response in all friendly countries in Europe and across the Atlantic Ocean. He stressed the complete solidarity existing between France and Great Britain. After avowing his anxiety over the present situation, in which no country is sure of her neighbours and in which the frenzy of armaments construction destroys all other forms of profitable activity, the Premier defined the aims of French policies.

"What does France desire? She desires peace among free men. What is the strength of France? It is her moral and material unity, realized once again in the face of danger. What is the resolution of France? It is to defend her ideals and her rights. Never has France been more united, never more determined, never more powerful than today. She hopes that peace will be saved for she has a hatred of war.

"But if war were imposed upon her or if it were presented as the only alternative to forfeit and dishonour, France would rise up united in the defence of her liberty."

M. Daladier detailed the various elements of France's present power, which he attributed chiefly to her improved financial and economic situation and to her great colonial empire.

France Can Defend Empire

"The strength of France is commensurate with this immense empire, of which the integral African block forms a central organism and of which I was quite recently able to measure the affectionate attachment and total devotion to the mother country," he specified.

Another source of French strength lay in spiritual and moral values, respect for individual rights within the bounds of liberty and order, tolerance of all opinions and the spontaneous unity of a whole people seeking truth and justice.

Dealing with the power of the French Army, he voiced his satisfaction over the country's response to the military measures decided upon by the Government.

Finally, he said French strength was due also to the nation's friendships, "those which consecrate our agreements and those which associate France with free peoples who suffer."

New Ideologies Denounced

M. Daladier then branded the new standards of certain Powers, where "servitude is called liberty."

"There, submission is called voluntary adherence or consent. Despair is called pride in the desire to live one's own life. The destruction of human values is called progress. A pretence of working for the salvation of men is made while they are being led to ruin," he declared.

France, on the contrary, is determined to allow all men to live their own lives, to believe as their hearts dictate, never to be crushed under the heel of slavery.

"It is because we believe in this that we will never agree that relations between nations should be regulated only by force," he continued. "What regulate these relations for us Frenchmen are, above all things, justice and right. It is only when they disappear and violence is unchained that recourse to force becomes an indispensable duty."

Obligations to Italy

Referring to Franco-Italian relations, he described the 1935 Accords as designed to settle definitely and liquidate all outstanding problems between France and Italy.

He stressed that France executed her obligations and the agreement was never placed in doubt until Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, sent the Note of December 17, announcing that Italy no longer considered the Accords to be valid.

He voiced surprise that some sections of international opinion gave credence to Signor Benito Mussolini's assertion, on Sunday morning, that Italy's claims were set forth in the Note and that the problems were specified as hinging upon Tunisia, Djibuti and the Suez. Belief in Il Duce's declaration would also lead to the belief that France had been officially informed of Italy's concrete demands but had not made any reply. He announced that the Italian Note and France's reply would be published.

"But here, this evening, I assure you that it (Rome's Note) contained nothing definite, that in it there was neither the question of Suez, nor of Djibuti, nor Tunisia.

Argument Rejected

"The Italian Note merely stated that in Italy's view, the Treaty of 1935 ceased to be valid, and it endeavoured to justify this view by reference to the conquest of Ethiopia, which asserted, created new rights for Italy.

"I need not tell you that we cannot accept this argument. It signifies that each new conquest or each new concession brings with it new rights. Thus, claims which could be presented to us would be practically limitless since each of them, once satisfied, would carry within it the basis for future claims."

The Premier next defined France's position. "I have already said so and I maintain that we will not give away a single inch of our territories or a single one of our rights."

He added, however, that Paris was ready to continue the loyal execution of the 1935 Accords both in their spirit and to the letter "on the bases which I have defined and which I have just recalled."

Limits on Parleys

"On these bases France in no way refuses to examine proposals which might be submitted to her," he added.

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"Terrier" Army to Be Doubled

Commons Told Force To Be Increased to 32 Full Divisions

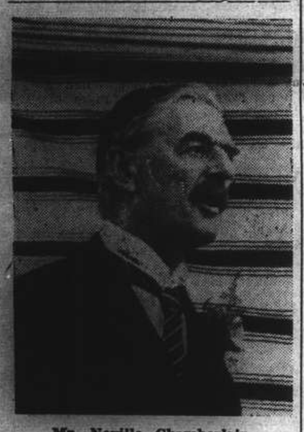
London, Mar. 29.

The Territorial Field Army is to be brought forthwith up to its war establishment, and its war establishment is to be doubled, making 32 divisions available for service overseas, announced Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons today.

These 32 divisions, he declared, would replace the nineteen divisions announced by Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Secretary of State for War, three weeks ago.

The Premier intimated that this was the first result of the re-examination of every aspect of national life which, as he had stated in his speech at Birmingham, was necessitated by the new international situation. In this review, the Premier said, the Government had been impressed with the need for availing themselves still further of the spirit of voluntary service which was manifest throughout the country.

In particular, they felt that they could not allow would-be recruits of the Territorial Army to be refused because the units to which they applied were already over strength. Accordingly, the Territorial Field Army, which was now on a peace



Mr. Neville Chamberlain

establishment of 130,000 men, would be raised forthwith to a war establishment—entailing the addition of about 40,000 men. The Territorial Field Army brought up to war establishment would be doubled, and would therefore total 340,000 men.

The Premier mentioned the increase in war potential necessary to maintain this increased force.

In reply to a supplementary question by Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Liberal leader, who raised the question of a ministry of supply, Mr. Chamberlain said that the Government had not yet had the opportunity of considering whether the increase in the strength of the Territorials would require any modification of the views they had hitherto held on that question. They would, however, give it full consideration.

Conscription Question

Mr. Chamberlain also confirmed the assumption, voiced by Mr. Arthur Greenwood, leading member of the Labour Party, that the proposal was evidence of the Government's opinion that they "had not by any means exhausted what could be done by voluntary service."

This, Mr. Greenwood declared, "could be demonstrated to have the ability of meeting all the country's needs."

In a previous answer, the Prime Minister had admitted that the question of compulsory national service for Britons was discussed in conversations last week with M. Georges Bonnet (the French Foreign Minister). He declined, however, to divulge what passed in the course of these conversations.—Reuter.

German Reaction

Berlin, Mar. 29.

The announcement of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Prime Minister, that the Territorial Army was to be doubled was splashed with banner headlines in newspapers here today.

The press seeks to explain this development as a "middle course," in order to appease France's desire for conscription in Great Britain, without arousing the "well-known British hatred for compulsory service."—Reuter.

Commons Debate on Foreign Affairs

London, Mar. 30.

A debate on foreign affairs will be held on April 3, it was announced in the House of Commons today by Mr. Neville Chamberlain. The Prime Minister was unable to state the length of the Easter adjournment today, as would have been normally announced.—Reuter.

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

French O. C. Bids Farewell

Colonel Louis Perretier, Commander of the French Forces in Shanghai, bade farewell to detachments of the various military units at present stationed in Shanghai, which were lined up on Soochow Road, at 10 a.m. yesterday. Shortly afterwards, he proceeded to the French Bund where, prior to boarding a French Naval launch, he reviewed a guard of honour composed of French troops and detachments of the Concession police. Top left: Col. Perretier shaking hands with Rear-Admiral Yoshinobu Shishido, Commanding Officer of the Japanese Naval Landing Party. Top centre: Col. Perretier with French officers as he walked down to the French Mail Pontoon opposite the M.M. building, shortly before boarding the launch. Top right: Col. Perretier and Col. J. W. Hornby, commanding officer of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps. Bottom left: Col. Perretier saluting the officers who bade him farewell at the jetty, just as the launch left. Bottom right: The detachment of the Seaforths lined up on Soochow Road.

China Currency Bill Made Law

Commons Interest In Chinese Affairs Continues Unabated

London, Mar. 29.

The House of Lords today passed the third reading of the Bill giving effect to the Government's decision to guarantee £5,000,000 out of the £10,000,000 credit for the stabilization of China's currency. Royal assent was given to the Bill immediately afterwards.

Interest in China remains undiminished, despite the tense situation in Europe, and further questions on matters affecting British interests in China figured in the House of Commons today.

Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, informed one questioner that the Japanese had paid to the Government of Hongkong the sum of C.$20,000, to cover all claims in connection with the air raid near Shumchun, in which Japanese planes dropped bombs within British territory.

Invited to state the present position in Inner Mongolia, Mr. Butler described the Mongolian Frontier Joint Commission, and the smaller autonomous governments in Charhar and North Shansi. He added that Japanese troops were reported to be stationed at various points along the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway, but stated that the Government had no accurate information regarding their actual numbers.

Hongkong Emergency Powers

Mr. R. Sorensen, Labour member for West Leyton, drew the Government's attention to the emergency regulations in Hongkong, empowering the arrest and expulsion of people "apparently without regular employment." He suggested that such cases be submitted to a court of law, in order to avoid injustice.

Sir Thomas Inskip, the Secretary of State for the Dominions, stated in reply that, while emergency conditions persisted, the regulations were fully justified. No injustice, he emphasized, need be feared.

Mr. Sorensen persisted in his questioning, and declared that "any arbitrary and unjust action is not a good advertisement for our Government in Hongkong."

Sir Thomas repeated that the Hongkong Government was "dealing with thousands of refugees under extraordinary conditions, and extraordinary action is required."—Reuter.

Australia Starts National Register

Canberra, Mar. 29.

Mr. Joseph A. Lyons, Premier of Australia, announced today that the Cabinet had decided to introduce a compulsory national register of manpower as part of its defence programme.—United Press.

British Cabinet Resumes Review of World Issues

British Press Welcomes Army Increase; French Premier's Speech Wins Acclaim

London, Mar. 30.

THE Cabinet, which held the usual weekly meeting yesterday lasting 2½ hours, met again this morning. The Ministers were summoned to complete yesterday's long agenda and give consideration to the International situation. Newspapers this morning all give great prominence to the announcement made by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, regarding the doubling of the Territorial Army, and the broadcast made by M. Edouard Daladier, the French Premier. They warmly welcome both, with the exception of the "Daily Mail," which regrets that the Government is clinging to the voluntary system and urges conscription.

"The Times" declares that the reception of the Prime Minister's announcement showed how truely it reflected Great Britain's desires. The "Daily Telegraph" says that Mr. Chamberlain's momentous announcement is received with approval as well as relief. No step, it adds, could be more welcome or timely. Referring to M. Daladier, "The Times" says he spoke like a man sure of himself and his country. Other editorials similiarly eulogize the dignified and firm stand and trust that M. Daladier's warning is heeded by aggressors.

Europe Discussed In Commons

Government Conducts Consultation Through Diplomatic Channels

London, Mar. 29.

The British Government does not favour the calling of a meeting of the League Council to consider the international situation. It prefers at present to conduct consultations upon issues arising from recent events through ordinary diplomatic channels rather than to see a conference of certain states for a discussion of possibilities of a common action as proposed by the Soviet Government.

These points emerged in a number of answers in the House of Commons given today by Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Robert J. G. Boothby, Conservative member for East Aberdeen and Kincardine, asked Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, to give favourable consideration to the proposal for summoning immediately a conference of those Powers whose interests lie in the preservation of peace in Eastern Europe, and for the assurance that the object of the diplomatic negotiations the Government was now conducting, was not merely a joint declaration on the part of the Powers interested in the maintenance of peace, but the conclusion of a definite pact of mutual defence against aggression.

Mr. Chamberlain, referred to the statement he had made at question time yesterday but added the Government was in touch with the Soviets.—Wirless through Reuter.

New U.S. 45,000-Ton Battleships to Excel in Armament, Speed, Range

Twelve 16-inch Guns Expected to Be Mounted; Thirty Knots and Fuel for Long Cruises

Washington, Mar. 30.

The two 45,000-ton battleships which the United States Navy will lay down this year may smash all armament, speed and cruising records in their category, official circles believed today.

Informed quarters indicated that the new battleships, approved by President Roosevelt yesterday, will mount twelve 16-inch guns compared to nine such guns on the 35,000-ton battleships.

The new super-dreadnoughts, which will require four years to complete, will be capable of a speed of thirty knots, it was understood. They will carry enough fuel for cruises over tremendous distances, but their exact range has not been revealed.

The new battleships will be 880 feet long, 108 feet at the beam and 36 feet in draught. They are expected to cost about $95,000,000 each.

President Roosevelt said yesterday that he had approved the Navy's plans for building the new super-battleships because Japan had exceeded the 35,000-ton limitations of the London Naval Treaty and had refused to negotiate for another limitations agreement.

Meanwhile, the Navy Department disclosed it would soon begin construction on a fleet of "mosquito" boats which will not exceed 3,000 tons. Each of the ships was authorized under the $15,000,000 experimental programme approved last year.—United Press.

By increasing the Territorial Army, a diplomatic observer points out, Britain will have 26 territorial divisions, in addition to six regular divisions overseas, thus possessing a powerful force for intervention in Europe, if necessary.

The recruiting authorities, Reuter learns, are confident that sufficient men will volunteer to enable the new figure for the Territorial Army to be attained. It is understood that there are numerous Regular Army officers available for command posts, in addition to many thousands of soldiers who have completed their term of service, but who could join up again as non-commissioned officers.

Hope for Settlement

M. Daladier's speech is welcomed in British political circles as conciliatory, but uncompromising on essentials. His speech, coupled with that of Signor Mussolini last Sunday, is interpreted as justifying hopes for a settlement of Italian wishes, provided that they are not excessive.

The next important move in European politics, diplomatic circles here point out, is the arrival in London of Colonel Joseph Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, next week. The Germans, these circles state, have already fired heavy propaganda, intended to dissuade Colonel Beck from making his visit.

It is remarkable, diplomatic circles declare, that many articles in this campaign have been presented only to foreign correspondents in Berlin, and have not been circulated in the German press. Poland, it is stated, apparently is prepared to answer the German campaign in kind.

Extracts from today's Polish newspapers show that both government and opposition papers are presenting a solid front to German attacks, stressing that while Poland's policy remains unchanged, Germany has abandoned "Pan-Germanism," and adopted a policy of European imperialism, which, the press emphasizes, will inevitably lead to an unfavourable reaction in Poland.—Reuter.

Bitter Italian Disapproval

Rome, Mar. 30.

Bitter disapproval of the speech delivered in Paris yesterday by M. Daladier was voiced in the "Giornale d'Italia" this morning by Signor Virginio Gayda, generally considered as Il Duce's unofficial mouthpiece.

According to Signor Gayda, M. Daladier's address confirms France's "intransigeance" towards the Italian claims and reveals the "clear intention definitely to close the door left ajar."

Italy has taken note of the speech, the writer added, and one can expect that for the time being at least the ditch to which Signor Mussolini referred in his latest address will remain open between the two countries.

Signor Gayda then attempted to refute several points outlined by M. Daladier, notably those concerning

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British, French Ships In Collision

Hongkong, Mar. 30.

The P. & O. liner Canton collided with the French vessel Marechal Joffre at 9 this morning. The collision, which is not believed to be serious, occurred north of Hongkong in a dense fog.

The Marechal Joffre sent a radio message that she was returning to Hongkong. The new French Ambassador to China, M. Henri Cosme, is aboard the French ship.

The Canton is not expected to arrive here before the morning, owing to fog, together with the damage suffered in today's collision. The vessel is taking in water, but does not require assistance. It is suggested that the P. & O. steamer Chitral, which is at present in Hongkong, may take over the ss. Canton's schedule, sailing homewards instead of northwards, but this is at present unconfirmed.—Reuter.

Japanese Occupy Kongmoon

Refugees Flock Into Macao After Fighting; Chinese Claim City Recaptured

Hongkong, Mar. 30.

Japanese troops yesterday occupied Kongmoon in an apparent effort to occupy all Chinese territory between Canton and Macao, according to Chinese reports received here today.

The new Japanese offensive carried Japanese troops into that area of China from which most Chinese Americans emigrated.

Japanese forces meanwhile were reported increasing air raid precautions in the Canton area after an alleged Chinese raid 30 miles northeast of Canton earlier in the week. The new Japanese aerodrome at Taipingchong was said to have been the main objective of the Chinese raid.

Meanwhile, Japanese warships were again reported to be concentrating near Waichow Island in the immediate vicinity of Pakhoi. Some Chinese reports predicted the Japanese would attempt a landing this week in an effort eventually to cut China's "life line" linking Chungking with the sea.

Japanese troops were reported to have occupied Kongmoon after eight hours of severe fighting during which Japanese warships and planes blasted Chinese troops out of their defence positions. The Chinese were said to have set fire to the city before their withdrawal.

A total of 2,000 Japanese troops were said to have carried out the actual occupation of Kongmoon. Chinese refugees arriving in Macao reported that crowded Japanese troops transports appeared off Tongka, indicating the imminent conquest of the Chungshan district.—United Press.

Recapture Claimed

Macao, Mar. 29.

Chinese officials in Shekki report that the Chinese forces recaptured Kongmoon yesterday evening, after fierce fighting.

The Chinese forces, it is claimed, also repulsed an attempted landing by the Japanese at Wangmoon. The Chinese further claim that they have reoccupied Yungki and Kweichow.

Refugees continue to pour into Macao.—Reuter.

Yankee Clipper Hops Off for Lisbon

Horta, Azores, Mar. 30.

The 74-passenger Yankee Clipper hopped off for Lisbon on the second leg of its initial trans-Atlantic flight at 9.15 a.m. (G.M.T.) today.—United Press.

Poland Ready to Resist Any German Attack

Partial Mobilization Heartens People; Unofficial Berlin Approach Rejected

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Warsaw, Mar. 29.

POLITICAL circles profess to receive the warning sounded by the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz," the official organ of the German Foreign Office, with the "utmost calm", but the country at large received the warning with indignation. It is regarded as an "attempt to exert pressure on a proud and independent people." Official quarters here deny that there has been a German ultimatum to Poland, or pressure by Germany regarding the status of Danzig.

While political quarters deny the existence of concrete proposals by Germany to modify the status of Danzig and for special transit across the Polish Corridor, it is believed that proposals of this nature were recently submitted by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, to the Polish Ambassador in Berlin. Poland, it is understood, declined to entertain such proposals under the implied threat of military pressure.

Partial mobilization has given Poland confidence in her ability to resist undue pressure, and it is felt that the Government will only discuss Danzig and the Corridor on a footing of equality.

It is unofficially reported that, at a secret meeting of the Parliamentary Club this evening, it was stated that although Germany had hitherto made no demands upon Poland, "demands are to be expected." Poland's answer to such demands, the Parliamentary Club is stated to have been informed, "would be a firm 'no'."—Reuter.

Poles Ready to Fight

Danzig, Mar. 29.

Polish quarters here today urged that Poland "meet force with force" if Germany attempts to seize the Danzig corridor.

Poland will never surrender Danzig to Germany without fighting, official Polish quarters told the United Press last night. The surrender of Danzig, it was said, would mean the forfeiture of a great measure of Polish political independence and the entire economic independence of Poland. Poland would go to war against Germany before permitting such developments, it was said.—United Press.

"Absolutely Normal"

Berlin, Mar. 29.

Germany has never demanded that Poland join the Anti-Comintern Pact, Reuter was informed today by Wilhelmstrasse circles.

It is understood that the questions of a change in Danzig's sovereignty, and the building of a motor road through the Polish Corridor, are old subjects of negotiations between the two countries. It is insisted very strongly by official circles here that relations between Germany and Poland are "proceeding in an absolutely normal manner" at the present moment.—Reuter.

Commons Questions

London, Mar. 29.

In the House of Commons today, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Labour member for the Kingswinford Division of Staffordshire, asked the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, whether, in view of the German propaganda alleging ill-treatment of German residents in Poland, and its effect on the present state of tension between the two countries, His Majesty's Government would be willing to send neutral observers to Poland, if the Polish Government approved of doing so.

Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, who replied, said: "Initiative in a matter of this kind must rest with the Polish Government, which has not approached us."—Wireless through Reuter.

Poles Arrest Germans

Warsaw, Mar 30.

Several leaders of the German minority group in the Bromberg district were arrested by the Polish police yesterday, amongst them prominent members of the German association in Krotoshin, Herren Otto Bartels, Gustav Hegemann and Karl Rackmann. Herr Bruno Tessmer, leader of the German association in Zempelburg, was also arrested at the Graudenz railway station.

At Morgonin, the windows of all houses and shops belonging to the Germans were smashed and the Germans were requested by the Polish police to have the windows replaced at their own expense.

At Weissenhoehe, two Germans were attacked by Poles in the street and severely injured by knife thrusts.—Trans-Ocean.

Headlines in Danzig

Danzig, Mar. 30.

Under the headline "Plain Speaking in Berlin about Officially Tolerated Anti-German Agitation in Poland," the Danzig newspaper, "Danziger Vorposten" deals in its latest issue with the relations between the Reich and Poland. "The answer given in the 'Deutsche Diplomatisch-Politische Korrespondenz'," the paper declares, "is of unmistakeable clearness. Berlin is taking note of unprovoked outbursts of the agitated Polish public although there is no intention in German policy of dramatizing the German-Polish situation."—Trans-Ocean.

Lithuania Ratifies Cession of Memel

Kaunas, Mar. 30.

After M. Joseph Urbsys, Foreign Minister, had made a short statement, the Parliament today ratified the Lithuanian-German Treaty regarding the cession of Memel to the Reich.—Reuter.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 8¼d. U.S.$ 16 1/16c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Mar. 30.

Very quiet conditions prevailed in the London silver market today quotations remaining unchanged from yesterday.

	Mar. 29	Mar. 30
London spot	19¾d.	19¾d.
" forward	19⅞d.	19⅞d.
" gold	148/6d.	148/6½d.
London/New York:		
One pound	U.S.$4.6818	$4.6813
One U.S. dollar	51.262d.	51.267d.

—Reuter.

Nanking Refuses to Recognize Loans

Anti-Foreign Declaration Issued by Joint Conclave Of New Regimes

Nanking, Mar 30.

Repudiation of all loans and credits extended by foreign Powers to the régime of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek, "without exception," was reiterated here by the "Reformed" and "Provisional Governments" of China in a declaration by the joint committee of the new administrations which met for the fourth time today.

The Peiping and Nanking governments announced that they would be "unable" to respect the vested rights and interests of the Powers assisting the Chungking régime, as such action was "detrimental to the restoration of peace" in China. The "friendly spirit" shown by the "Reformed" and "Provisional" administrations towards third party Powers at the time of the establishment of the new régimes would have to be "disregarded" in view of the attitude taken by certain nations, the declaration said.

"Obstructing Peace"

"At this time when the régime of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek is on the verge of collapse, the British Government has granted it a loan of £10,000,000," the statement said.

"The real intention behind that action is to obstruct the restoration of peace in East Asia and it is tantamount to a complete disregard of the immense sacrifices made by the people of China in the hostilities.

"As declared at the time of the establishment of both Governments, all loans in currency or in kind to the régime of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek will not be recognized. This was already reiterated at the time of the establishment of this joint committee last September," the declaration said.

The statement recalled that when the joint committee was formed, telegrams were dispatched to various European and American Powers warning them that unless they ceased providing the régime of Gen. Chiang with funds and provisions they would be regarded the "public enemies" of China.

"China Sacrificed"

"Fearing that the establishment of peace in East Asia might be disadvantageous to them," the statement charged, various Powers favouring the regime of Gen. Chiang had "sacrificed China" by resorting to the use of "cat's paw" tactics in repeatedly agreeing to large loans.

This attitude of certain Powers, the statement declared, was causing "indignation and abhorrence" among the Chinese people, who see in the line of action being followed by some nations the intention of doing them harm.—Domei.

Valencia Rejoices

Valencia, Mar. 30.

Sr. Antonio Maforda was appointed Governor of Valencia today as the city continued to celebrate the entry of Nationalist troops. The new Governor instituted an 8 p.m. curfew. The city was completely occupied last night. Thousands danced in the streets, eating the bread and wine provided by the victorious troops.

Reliable Nationalist military sources said that a few days would pass before the troops move northward from the Murcia region. This delay will leave the ports of Alicante and Gandia open for the exodus of part of the throngs wishing to leave Spain.—United Press.

Fleet Enters Cartagena

Paris, Mar. 30.

The Nationalist Fleet entered Cartagena this morning, taking over Spain's main naval base, rdio reports reaching here said.

The Nationalists found the biggest Spanish battleship Jaime Primero half-submerged in the harbour and three partly built submarines rusting in the naval shipyards. Motorized Nationalist forces entered Sagunto and immediately occupied the important blast furnances to prevent sabotage.

Official confirmation was received that the Nationalists completed the occupation of Valencia, Almeria, Jaen, Albecete, Ciudad Real, Cuenca, Guadalajara and numerous small but important towns. They must still occupy Alicante and Murcia, both of which have surrendered.

The drive of the southern Nationalist Army under General Gonzalo Quiepo de Llano continued to make headway since its movements were not opposed and the southern forces occupied Publo Alcocer and Herrera del Duque.—United Press.

U.S. Seeks Guarantees

Washington, Mar. 29.

Before proceeding with recognition of General Franco, the United States is expected to try to obtain some guarantee of clemency for the defeated Republicans.

Mr. Cordell Hull, the U.S. Secretary of State, conferred with President Roosevelt this morning. He later indicated that the question of recognition was under review. The French Ambassador in Washington, the Comte de Saint-Quentin, conferred at length with Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State. It is understood that France's attitude towards the Italian claims was mentioned in the conversation.—Reuter.

Chinese Menacing Hangchow

Guerilla Offensive Near Chientang River Disrupts Passenger Train Service

Chinese evening reports yesterday indicated that Chinese regulars and guerillas in Chekiang are fighting for the purpose of recapturing Hangchow as earnestly as the Japanese in Kiangsi and because of this, freight train service of both the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow Railways has been stopped, the railways being used almost exclusively by the Japanese military. There have been only a few passenger coaches during the past few days.

Japanese military authorities are reported to have continuously sent reinforcements from Nanking, and Shanghai and several hundred wounded Japanese soldiers are claimed to have been transported to Shanghai daily. Fierce fighting is said to be taking place on the Hangchow-Fuyang Highway and in Wukong the picked men of the Chinese army having crossed the Chientang River and reached its northern bank after the Japanese had made a futile attempt to occupy the east Chekiang coastal district.

It is admitted, however, that from time to time the Japanese air force has bombed districts in east Chekiang and, according to the "Hwa Mei Wan Pao," people have voluntarily evacuated from Chinghai, river port gateway to Ningpo. Merchants in Ningpo are stated to have held a conference at which they considered the question of petitioning the local authorities to close the district to shipping. The ss. Taiping will be used to erect a boom but Chinese military authorities there have not yet deemed it necessary to close the port.

Guerillas Fight Near Here

Two hundred thousand Chinese soldiers are said to be holding themselves in readiness for action in west Chekiang which, it is feared, may be attacked by the Japanese forces operating in north Kiangsi.

Guerilla warfare is stated to be taking place in Pootung and on the outskirts of Shanghai. From time to time yesterday machine gun fire was audible in the city more clearly than before. The report that the Japanese had practised shooting in Lunghwa was discredited by many people who opined that the rattle of machine guns in the afternoon when there was rain was not like a practice.

More barbed wire entanglements were placed yesterday along both banks of Soochow Creek and more police were seen on patrolling duties there. It was feared by some Chinese quarters that the precaution thus taken indicated the tense situation existing in neighbouring districts where refugees may find their way into Shanghai by way of the Creek.

Guards of Honour Bid Farewell

Colonel Perretier Leaving Soon; Impressive Military Adieux

Shanghai's military units bade Colonel Perretier, departing Commanding Officer of the French Forces here, an impressive farewell at 10 a.m. yesterday, when detachments from all units at present stationed in Shanghai formed a guard of honour on Soochow Road opposite the Rowing Club.

Lined up in the order of the seniority of the commanding officers of the units, a small detachment of French troops, was the first in the saluting line, followed by members of the Russian Regiment, Shanghai Volunteer Corps. A smart detachment of Japanese Blue Jackets from the Naval Landing Party came next, whilst Seaforth Highlanders with bagpipes were one of the most colourful units to be represented. American Marines, in their dress uniforms, and Italian marines wearing steel helmets made up the line. The colonel saluted the flag of each unit and the officer in charge of the detachment, whilst near Chapoo Road the Commanding Officers of the various military forces were standing and shook hands with Colonel Perretier prior to accompanying him to the French Bund. Arousing considerable curiosity amongst the thousands of Chinese and foreigners who witnessed the ceremony from behind a strong police cordon, were two Japanese orderlies with submachine-guns under their arms, who stood near Rear-Admiral Shishiro, Commanding Officer of the Japanese Naval Landing Party, all the time.

A few minutes later, at 10.15 a.m., Col. Perretier, together with his staff officers, took the salute from a guard of honour composed of French Military and Police detachments, lined up on both sides of the French Bund from Rue du Consulat to Avenue Edward VII and, after once more bidding farewell to the international group of officers who had come to see him off, Col. Perretier boarded a French naval launch and proceeded on board of one of the French warships in port.

The departing officer, who has made many friends in Shanghai during his sojourn in this city, is leaving for Japan on April 2, on a two weeks' holiday, prior to returning here. He will embark in the M.M. liner Jean Laborde on April 25, for his return journey to France.

Haimen Port Closed To Shipping

Chungking, Mar. 30.

The Chinese Foreign Office today officially notified foreign Embassies that Haimen, on the Chekiang coast, is, at present, closed to navigation.

This, it is stated, is being done as a precautionary measure against a possible Japanese landing in that area. —Reuter.

Reich Expresses Regret To Belgium

Brussels, Mar. 29.

The German Ambassador to Belgium today expressed regret over the Cologne radio broadcast which urged the return of the former German districts of Eupen and Malmedy which Belgium acquired after the World War. Belgium described the broadcast as "intolerable."—United Press.

Mr. Halliburton's Junk Missing

San Francisco, Mar. 30.

Mr. Richard Halliburton, noted American adventurer, and his party aboard a Chinese junk en route to San Francisco from Hongkong, have not been heard from since last Friday, Mackay Radio revealed here today.

The Halliburton junk was 1,500 miles west of Midway Island when last heard from on Friday. The radio aboard the junk has been silent since that time.—United Press.

France Will Not Yield Inch of Territory

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Referring to the situation in Tunisia, he denied charges that the 94,000 Italian settlers in that protectorate were ill-treated. On the contrary, Italians everywhere and in all French domains enjoy a most liberal regime, applied to their children as well as to themselves."

M. Daladier sent his greetings to the Moslem population of the French empire, stating, "They may be certain that France will ever remain their protector, loyal and vigilant, and that she will in no case allow her great mission to be placed in doubt."

He further stressed the courtesy shown Italians by the French, as evidenced by the hospitality extended to the thousands of Italians residing in France.

Germany and Czech Conquest

M. Daladier next dealt with Italy's axis partner, the Reich. He recalled efforts made to attain an understanding with Germany. He pointed to the Munich Agreement and its sequel, the Franco-German "non-aggression" Declaration, and to the French mission sent to Berlin to negotiate an economic agreement.

"The conquest of Czechoslovakia and the occupation of Prague by the German armies dealt the greatest blow to these patient efforts. During a number of years, we were told, in justification of certain acts, of the right of people to dispose of themselves. Since then we have been told of natural aspirations. Now, we are told of vital space, which is nothing but the continued development of the will to conquer."

M. Daladier stressed that war today would be a catastrophe to the world.

"In the name of my country, I invite all Powers that think as we do to put their confidence in co-operation among those who, like us, are ready to persevere in the paths of peace but who, in a single movement of solidarity, would rise up in the face of aggression," he appealed.

He voiced his conviction that his words would find response in all friendly nations "throughout Europe and across the Atlantic."

He emphasized that Britain and France think alike and pursue the same end by the same means.

"I can therefore entertain the hope that all reasonable men—and there are reasonable men in all countries—will hear this language of reason," the French Premier concluded.—Havas.

Departing C. O. is Host At Reception

Diplomatic, military and naval representatives at present stationed in Shanghai, together with the members of the two Councils and many hundred prominent members of the local community, were the guests of Colonel Perretier, departing commanding officer of the French Forces, at a most impressive cocktail party held at the French Club on Wednesday evening.

Col. Perretier also introduced Lieut.-Col. Grenier, his successor and Mme. Grenier to the various guests, whilst the French Club band played throughout the duration of the affair.

THE CINEMA

"Wings of the Navy"

Cass Harrington .....George Brent
Irene Dale .....Olivia De Havilland
Jerry Harrington .....John Payne
Scat Allen .....Frank McHugh
Commander Clark .....John Litel
Lt. Parsons .....Victor Jory
Prologue Speaker .....Henry O'Neill
Dan Morrison .....John Ridgely
Lt. Harry White .....John Gallaudet
Instructor .....Donald Briggs
Ted Parsons .....Edgar Edwards
First Flight Instructor ....Regis Toomey
Armando Costa .....Albert Morin
Commandant .....Jonathan Hale

Inspired by the success which greeted those two screen epics, "Devil Dogs of the Air" and "Sumbarine D.I.", Warner Brothers have added yet another production to their list of films which paint in glowing colours the pilots and planes of the United States Naval Air Service. Shown at the Grand Theatre last night, "Wings of the Navy" cannot fail to meet with the success which has attended previous vehicles of the same nature for it possesses all the assets which rank a picture as something out of the ordinary. True there are the usual parades of marching men, which one expects to see in a film dealing with any service, and there are those aerial views of groups of aeroplanes spinning, diving, roaring, zooming and crashing but so skilfully woven into the story are they that one instinctively feels that the production would lose much if they were curtailed to a minimum. Set against a background of all types of naval 'planes, the film roars its way through romance and thrills of the air at a breathless speed and so realistic are some of the crashes that one instinctively grips one's seat in anticipation of the awful scene which is to follow when a machine is tearing towards the earth with the wind screaming through the wires and the pilot vainly endeavouring to control his doomed ship. Heading the cast is Mr. George Brent, perfectly cast as Cass Harrington, famous naval pilot, and he is supported by Miss Olivia de Havilland, and Mr. John Payne as Harrington's younger brother. Comedy is provided by Mr. Frank McHugh, who miraculously blunders his way through the training depot to become a fully-fledged pilot. "Wings of the Navy" is great entertainment for people who like this class of picture.

Preceding the film was a programme of music played by the Regimental band of the Fourth United States Marines.—R.S.

New Spain to Join Axis Powers

Republic Crumbles As All Towns Give In to Nationalists

Seville, Mar. 29.

General Gonzalo Quiepo de Llano, Nationalist Commander in the south, told a celebrating crowd of more than 50,000 in the Plaza Fernando today that General Francisco Franco, interpreting the desires of Spaniards, will weld Spain even more closely to Italy and Germany which nations desire to see Spain great again.—United Press.

Republic Crumbles

Madrid, Mar. 30.

Republican Spain crumbled into oblivion last night as General Francisco Franco's victorious Nationalist troops took over control of every large city in former Republican territory and the Spanish civil war was officially proclaimed ended.

Valencia fell only 24 hours after the Nationalists' bloodless occupation of Madrid and all other major cities fell in repid succession as Nationalist Falangists assumed control of the local governments. An official broadcast from Burgos said the war was considered officially ended and that the capital would now be moved from Burgos to Madrid.

Thousands of Republican Popular Front leaders were reported to have been trapped, but the major Republican leaders were understood to have escaped by plane and in foreign warships. United Press correspondents in Valencia reported that hundreds of Republicans had been permitted to escape in French and other foreign merchantmen, apparently under an unofficial agreement permitting some Republican leaders to flee from the country.

Cities Delivered Quietly

Valencia and other major cities of Republican Spain fell without resistance as the Republican civil authorities handed over their offices to the victorious Nationalists. Some of the Republican civil officials were under detention, but Nationalist reports said they had not been arrested.

Fifteen hundred Nationalist trucks were expected to arrive here today with food for under-nourished civilians. Similar action was expected at Valencia although the food shortage there has not been so severe because the city is a coastal port.

Nationalist flags appeared as if by magic in the hands of thousands of Valencia civilians yesterday as they widdly greeted the arrival of the Nationalist troops and the end of the civil war.—United Press.

Planes Land in Oran

Oran, Mar. 30.

Twenty-one Spanish planes landed here last night from Valencia. They carried Republican refugees Gen. Jose Miaja, former President of the defunct Republican National Defence Council of Madrid, was understood to be among last night's arrivals here.—United Press.

More U.S. Credits for China for Aircraft

Pratt-Whitney Motors to Be Bought; $15,000,000

Hartford, Conn., Mar. 30.

Negotiations have been completed here with the Chinese Nationalist Government for a $15,000,000 credit in the United States for the purchase of aeroplane motors from the Pratt-Whitney Division of the United Aircraft Corp.

It could not be verified whether the entire credit would be spent with the one manufacturer. Announcement of the new credit confirmed recent reports from Chungking, China, where the credit negotiations were first reported.

The counsellor of the Chinese Embassy in Washington, Mr. Chang Lok-chen, told the press that he had no knowledge of the plane motor credit negotiations. United States official sources said that if such an arrangement had been completed, it had been done under an entirely private contract involving no Government contracts.

Some informed quarters believed most of the negotiations for the new credit were carried out in China.

Meanwhile, reliable sources reported that France had orderd 1,000 plane engines from Pratt-Whitney in the past six weeks at a cost of approximately $14,000,000. France also holds an option for the purchase of 200 more motors at $3,000,000.—United Press.

Important Moves Noted In Tokyo

Gaimusho Head to See Envoys of Democracies

Tokyo, Mar. 30.

Sir Robert Leslie Craigie, British Ambassador; Mr. Joseph Clark Grew, American Ambassador, and M. Charles Arsene-Henry, French Ambassador, will call at the Foreign Office tomorrow to confer with Mr. Hachiro Arita, Foreign Minister, at the latter's request, it was disclosed today.

Discussion of important diplomatic questions was understood to be contemplated. Much interest in the unusual parley was evinced in press and diplomatic quarters.—Domei.

Prince Konoye Consulted

Tokyo, Mar. 29.

Significance is attached here to the interview held on Wednesday between Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, the Prime Minister, and Prince Ayamaro Konoye, the President of the Privy Council, and Minister without Portfolio, in which there was an exchange of views on Japan's domestic affairs in connection with the fresh situation in Europe, and also in connecton with various internal problems. The Premier is to meet Prince Konoye again on April 1, when the latter returns from his visit to Shimane Prefecture. —Reuter.

Mr. Sun Fo to Visit Europe

Chungking, Mar. 30.

Mr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, it is reliably learned, left Chungking recently on a short trip to Europe to exchange views with European Governments, including Great Britain, France and Soviet Russia.—Reuter.

Seven Spanish Priests Held by Guerillas

Hankow, Mar. 29.

A dispatch received here today from Anking by the Augustinian Procuration reports that seven Spanish Jesuits have been captives of Chinese guerillas since January 17. The scene of the outrage is reported to be the vicinity of Taihu, on the border of Anhwei and Hupeh provinces.

The guerillas first took the six missionaries prisoner, and when their Bishop went out in an attempt to effect their release, they did not permit him to return. As far as is known, there have been no demands for ransom, the reason for the "arrest" of the priests being that they had used Japanese military notes, which are in circulation in the district.—Reuter.

British Cabinet Resumes Review of World Issues

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the situation of Italian residents in Tunisia.

"It is henceforth clear," the writer concluded, "that the French Government no longer desires to discuss neither territorial questions nor that of the rights of Italian Settlers in Tunisia. It wishes to separate from Italy and stiffen its "never" position. Relations between France and Italy are aggravated still further and it is now convenient to pass on to other themes without letting the present state of affairs out of sight.."—Havas.

New York Comment

New York, Mar. 30.

The Government of Axis Powers cannot fail to note the two replies instead of one to Signor Mussolini's speech, says the "New York Times."

"M. Daladier has broadcast the message he was scheduled to deliver, but another voice spoke unexpectedly across the British Channel. There can be no doubt that Mr. Neville Chamberlain's statement that the strength of the Territorial Army would be doubled warns Italy against any resort to the use of force in an attempt to achieve her still undefined purposes in the Mediterranean area."—Reuter.

German Press Annoyed

Berlin, Mar. 29.

Newspapers here today are very annoyed with the reference made by M. Edouard Daladier, the French Premier, to the German conquest of Czechoslovakia. Those who hoped for material advance in the conversations between France and Italy, declares the "Hamburger Fremdenblatt," will be disappointed. M. Daladier, it continues, is willing to negotiate, but on a basis which Italy no longer recognizes.—Reuter.

Applause in French Press

Paris, Mar. 30.

All the press, from extreme right to extreme left, applauds the speech of M. Edouard Daladier, Prime Minister.

"M. Daladier's speech not only is vigorous, but has with clarity defined that we feel animosity towards no one," writes "Le Jour."

The "Journal" states "Every Frenchman will approve of the language used by M. Daladier. It is the language of reason and not of provocation. France does not refuse negotiations intended to examine legitimate and honest claims, but will never admit that anyone can impose their will on her."—Reuter.

Secrecy Observed Over Hungarian Demands

Land More than Slovakia Prepared to Grant

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Bratislava, Mar. 29.

The greatest secrecy is being observed here regarding the Hungarian demands. It is reported that Slovakia is prepared to cede to Hungary a strip of territory some fifteen miles wide along the Az Valley, forming the frontier between Slovakia and Ruthenia.

Hungary, however, is said to demand an area nearly twice as large, chiefly with the object of obtaining the railway running through the Az Valley. —Reuter.

Germans Stop Slovakians

Bratislava, Mar. 29.

The German Army today prevented Slovakian troops sent by the Government from reaching the country's eastern borders, it was reliably reported. The Slovakian authorities have already requested an explanation of this action from Berlin.—Havas.

California Clipper on Way to Far East

Record Load of 36 Persons Carried on Maiden Trip

San Francisco, Mar. 30.

The Pan-American Airways' California Clipper, sister plane to the Yankee Clipper, left San Francisco today on its maiden flight to the Far East.

The California Clipper is carrying 25 passengers and a crew of eleven, the largest plane-load of persons ever to fly over the Pacific Ocean.

The Yankee Clipper, on a test flight in preparation for a regular trans-Atlantic service, flew over the Atlantic on March 27 with 21 men aboard.—Reuter.

Chartered Bank Report

Courageous Efforts To Rehabilitate Western China

London, Mar. 30.

Events in China, and also in India, have compelled Mr. Arthur d'Anyers Willis, Chairman of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, at its Annual Meeting, to adopt a somewhat restrained note, says the "Financial Times." There are, nevertheless, qualifications for it, the paper adds.

His explanation counters the impression which might be gained from the balance sheet, that the Bank has been losing business. But this is not the case, it goes on. The reduction in the accounts is explained by the fluctuation in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar, the "Financial Times" states.

The technical factor in the depreciation of the Chinese exchange has accounted for practically the whole drop in deposits in the Chartered Bank's current accounts, writes the "Financial News." It would appear, therefore, that the Bank's experience in China is less unfavourable compared to that of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which keeps accounts in Hongkong currency, than the Chartered Bank's accounts would at first suggest, the paper adds.

"The Times" city editor says that amid the dark shades of Mr. Willis's description of Chinese conditions, there was one bright touch.

This he referred to as the development of the courageous efforts to build up an economic system in the western provinces of China, and to rehabilitate in that potentially rich and hitherto undeveloped region, the shattered livelihoods of millions of merchants, artisans and craftsmen who migrated westwards from the Yangtze Valley.—Reuter.

Soviet Submarines Said To Be in Far East

Japanese Admiralty Spokesman's Views

Tokyo, Mar 30.

Although some Soviet submarines in the Far East may have been built in Vladivostok, most of them have apparently been constructed in European Russia and, after being taken to pieces, were brought by rail or steamer to Vladivostok, where they were assembled. This statement was made today by Rear-Admiral Kanazawa, the Admiralty spokesman, in reply to a question put by a foreign correspondent.

Soviet submarines, he continued, are reported to have been observed off Singapore, on their way to Vladivostok. But, he said the number brought to the Far East by sea must have been very small. The spokesman expressed the opinion that Soviet submarines consisted of two classes: one of 1,200-tons and the other 600-tons.

Questioned by a foreign correspondent regarding the American preparation for laying the keels of two 45,000-ton battleships, Rear-Admiral Kanazawa replied that the naval situation of the world, especially that of leading naval Powers, has been taken fully into consideration in the formulation of the Japanese naval policy.—Reuter.

Plans to Re-Establish Czechoslovakia

Czechs and Slovaks in Americas to Meet

Chicago, Mar. 30.

An international congress of American Czechs and Slovaks, which will make plans "for the re-establishment of a free Czechoslovakia and a free Slovakia in a free Europe" will be held within a month either in Chicago or in New York, it was announced today by M. Bobus Benes, nephew of Dr. Eduard Benes, former President of Czechoslovakia.

Delegates from various cities will represent the 1,500,000 Czechs and Slovaks in the United States, while other delegates will represent the Czechoslovaks in the South American Republics.—Reuter.

Arab Rebels Attack Jewish-Owned Quarry

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Haifa, Mar. 29.

One Arab was killed, and five persons, including one woman and three children, were wounded when rebels attacked a Jewish-owned quarry here today.—Reuter.

Italy Calls More Men to Colours

Rome, Mar. 30.

Two hundred and fifty thousand reservists were called to their colours today.—United Press.

Fierce Fighting Going On Near Wuning

Japanese Aircraft Bombing Chinese Lines

Chungking, Mar. 30.

Fighting on the Wuning front is continuing in the hills five miles north-east of Wuning, according to a Chinese despatch.

Chinese forces in south Honan province, it adds, have launched three assaults on Sinyang, on the Peiping-Hankow railway, with Chinese artillery heavily shelling the Japanese troops holding out inside the city walls.

At the same time, Japanese aircraft are reported to be bombing the Chinese troops surrounding Sinyang. The Japanese are also stated to be rushing reinforcements from Yingshan to support their Sinyang defenders.—Reuter.

Changsha Defence Ordered

Hongkong, Mar. 30.

Surprised at the sudden fall of Nanchang, the Kuomintang command has been repeatedly issuing orders to the Chinese defence headquarters in Changsha to defend the city to the last man, at least until July 10, according to reliable reports received here today. No reason for the specified date was given.

Changsha is believed to be the next objective of the Japanese, the reports stated.

Previous to the fall of Nanchang, the Kuomintang régime had been attempting to move a large number of troops of the Kiangsi army into the ninth war zone with Nanchang as its centre, the reports said.—Domei.

Two Men Charged for Bridge Explosions

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 30.

Two men have been charged in Bow Street in connection with the two terrific explosions which occurred on Hammersmith Bridge in the early hours of March 28. Both have been remanded. No one was hurt in the explosions, which caused only small damage.—Reuter.

Ex-Premier Resigns from Hungarian House

Budapest, Mar. 29.

M. Karolyi, former Premier, today resigned his post as a member of the Upper House because suggested amendments to the anti-Jewish Bill were rejected. Such a step is unprecedented.—Reuter.

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French, British Air Ministers to Confer

Co-ordination of Aircraft Output to Be Discussed

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 29.

Preparations have been made by the French Air Minister, M. Guy La Chambre, to confer with Sir Kingsley Wood, the Secretary of State for Air, next week.

M. La Chambre will arrive in London on Monday, and the talks with Sir Kingsley Wood will take place on Tuesday. The subject of the conversations will be the co-ordination of the aeronautical production of the two countries.—Reuter.

M. Lebrun Declines Second Term

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Versailles, Mar. 29.

Many prominent M.P.'s including M. Albert Lebrun, the present President of France, have refused to run as possible candidates for the Presidency. The number of candidates has thus been reduced to five. Preparations are being completed here for the election of France's fifteenth President by the Senate and the Chamber.—Reuter.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THE subject for the coming Saturday evening broadcast by Dr. P. F. Price over XMHD. at 8.30 p.m. is: "Is There a Comeback For Me"?

AMONG the passengers who are arriving in the ss. Chitral on Sunday is Mr. B. P. Lalcaca, who is returning after spending a few months in Europe and India.

THE King's Daughters' Society will hold a Bridge and Mahjongg Tea on April 27 in the Green Room of the Shanghai Race Club, entrance Mohawk Road. For reservations telephone 38175.

GENERAL Teng Hsi-hou, Pacification Commissioner of Szechuen province, will conduct a tour of inspection of the Western Szechuen areas on April 1, to study the progress of reconstruction, says a report to the "Shun Pao."

PURSUANT to Chinese Government orders that beginning from this year tea exported to foreign countries is to be shipped from Hongkong, and not from Shanghai as hitherto, more and more branch offices of local tea merchants have been established in the Colony, says the "Shun Pao."

THE musical and dramatic section of the British Women's Association would like to draw the attention of members and their friends to their Children's Easter Party on Saturday, April 8. No bookings will be taken after 12 noon on Wednesday.

A PRAYER meeting in the interests of the Jews and Christian efforts on their behalf at this time of unprecedented need will be held under the auspicies of the Shanghai Hebrew Mission in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Parry, C.I.M. 1531 Sinza Road, on Sunday, April 2, at 4.15 p.m.

REPORTS that Dr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, is accompanying M. Ivan Louganetz-Orelsky, Soviet Ambassador to China, to Moscow, have now been confirmed, says a Chungking Chinese message to the Sin Wan Pao." Dr. Sun Fo, the message adds, is on a mission to negotiate with the Soviet Government regarding assistance to China.

A LIST of persons duly qualified to vote at the election of members of council and the annual meeting of ratepayers, revised and corrected to date and published in accordance with the provisions of Land Regulation XIX, is issued as a special edition of the "Municipal Gazette" today. Notice of any errors or omissions should be addressed to the Deputy Treasurer—Revenue, Revenue Office, Administration Building, 209 Kiangse Road.

THE next meeting of the Shanghai Missionary Association will be held in the Union Church Hall, 107 Soochow Road, on April 4. Tea will be served at 5.15 p.m. The association is pleased to announce that the speakers for the evening will be the Rev. S. K. Mondol of Asansol, India, and Rev. Onkin of Rangoon, Burma, fraternal delegates from the Methodist Episcopal Church to churches of West China, who will speak on Christianity in India and Burma.

CLOTHING or articles of any description are solicited for a rummage sale to be held in the Union Church Hall on April 6 at 9.30 a.m., in aid of the Limbless Fund. Gifts may be left at the Hall or can be collected, if desired, by phoning the following members of the committee: Mrs. O. G. R. Beynon (77676), Mrs. K. Harrop (22596), Mrs. J. E. Rankin (70410), Mrs. W. H. Train (22090), Mrs. A. Sharp (76150), or Mrs. A. Sinclair (19008). Helpers are urgently needed for April 5 and 6.

AT the annual meeting of Union Church congregation, held on Wednesday evening, the following members of the retiring Committee were re-elected:—Messrs. Adam Black, A. A. Ewing, James Macbeth, David McGavin, Dr. Bernard E. Read, A. W. Sherriff, and A. Youngson, with Mr. W. M. McLellan elected to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr. F. H. B. Harmon, who recently left on furlough. Preceding the meeting, supper was served by the Church, and was attended by about 100 members of the congregation.

MR. Earl T. Russell, vice-president of the National Export Advertising Service, Inc., New York, is visiting in Shanghai with his wife and daughter, Miss Gertrude Russell. This is their second visit to this city, the last one being in 1930. They left New York in the early part of last August and spent about seven months touring before they arrived here on March 19. The China Commercial Advertising Agency, are the agents in China for the National Export Advertising Service, Inc., Yesterday evening, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ling entertained the Russells at a large dinner party at the Park Hotel, which by a happy coincidence was Miss Gertrude Russell's eighteenth birthday.

TSAI Ho-shan, a rickshaw puller, was sentenced to one year and eight months' imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court but the sentence was suspended for three years. He was charged with negligence causing the death of his 56-day old girl baby. According to the police findings, the newborn recently became sick and on March 13 the rickshaw puller thought that she had died. Being superstitious he put the baby on a vacant lot in Tonquin Road and hacked the baby's leg so that her spirit would not return to his home to haunt other children. The baby was apparently alive because she cried when hacked. She died, however, later in a hospital. Tsai had 11 children all of whom have died of illness.

BY authority of the Treaty Power Consuls, the following notice is published in today's "Municipal Gazette" and in the advertisement columns of the local Press over the signature of Comm. L. Neyrone, Consul-General for Italy and Senior Consul:—

"The Foreign Treaty Consuls, in pursuance of the provisions of Article IX of the Land Regulations for the Foreign Settlement of Shanghai, hereby give notice that a Public Meeting of Ratepayers will be held in the Grand Theatre, No. 216 Bubbling Well Road, on Wednesday, April 19, 1939, commencing at 2.30 p.m. to devise ways and means of raising the requisite funds for Municipal purposes, to pass resolutions in reference thereto and to deliberate and decide upon other Municipal matters and business. At such meeting the accounts of the Council for the year ended December 31, 1938, will be submitted for the sanction and approval of the Ratepayers."

Chungking Control Of Guerillas

Commissioners Despatched To Re-organize Areas and Men; Taxation Complaints

In preparation for recovering lost territory, the Chinese Government has sent special commissioners to all guerilla areas to investigate, to give the people suitable political training and to re-organize all guerilla units so as to improve their efficiency. The regulations governing the reorganization have been enforced and all local military authorities and magistrates are required to carry them out.

According to the Chinese press, the new movement chiefly aims at improving the existing conditions in guerilla areas where the people have not been well organized and therefore unable to assist armed forces to achieve their aim. The people will have to be trained so that they may do publicity, espionage, transportation, destruction and relief work for the army.

In order to effect perfect control of guerillas and to avoid conflicts among various units of guerillas themselves the Chungking Government is now reported to take districts as units and in each of the guerilla districts there will be a commander who will serve as the military leader of the district in addition to the magistrate. By reorganizing the guerilla units the Chinese government hopes to gradually wipe the "enemy" forces in occupied areas, which are officially called "guerilla areas."

Tax System to Be Changed

The tax collection system in all guerilla areas will also be changed. It is pointed out that at present the people living in guerilla areas are much troubled by the heavy taxes collected not only by "puppet" officials but also by guerillas. It is admitted that there is confusion as villagers often pay taxes to bigger bands of guerillas and also to small groups of them which are in reality, members of the bigger units. The Chinese Government has decided to readjust the situation so that clear balance sheets will have to be submitted by guerilla commanders and magistrates who are required to deposit savings with banks and remitted to the Ministry of Finance.

This new official movement reflects the present condition of what people generally call guerillas. While it is difficult to find out the exact condition of guerillas individually, it is a fact that villagers coming to Shanghai from interior districts where guerillas often make appearance have complained against their behaviour in some cases, especially in respect to the taxation system they enforce.

Judging from the statements made by these villagers, it is apparent that guerillas are divided into two distinct types. While one type of guerillas is under the government control the other type belongs to local organizations. The opinion has been freely expressed that many of the so-called guerillas belonging to the latter group are little different from bandits who flee when they see Japanese soldiers. The officially commissioned guerillas are said to be getting their wages regularly. It is they who are co-operating with Chinese regulars sent to the Chekiang front in fighting the Japanese forces.

Monthly Tiffin of St. George's Society

Major J. T. Ford, O.B.E., the newly elected president of the Royal Society of St. George (Shanghai Branch), presided over the usual monthly luncheon of the committee yesterday at the Shanghai Club, when Mr. W. G. Clarke, M.B.E., this year's President of St. Patrick's Society was entertained as the guest of honour.

In proposing a toast to Mr. Clarke and the Society he represented, Major Ford referred humourously to the history of St. Patrick, and expressed the great pleasure he had in being able to entertain the committee's guest who was an old friend and colleague of his for many years standing. He briefly sketched Mr. Clarke's career and spoke of the excellent services he had rendered the community during his association with the Shanghai Municipal Police, and congratulated him on being elected president of St. Patrick's Society.

Mr. Clarke duly returned thanks, in a speech replete with anecdotes, and much national wit.

New Abbot of Buckfast Installed

The installation of Don Bruno Fehrenbacher as new Abbot of Buckfast Abbey took place recently with much ceremony. The new Abbot is seen with two children outside the Abbey after the installation.

Conditions in Twice Occupied Shansi City Described

Japanese Found Town Stripped Bare of Everything; Forced to Withdraw by Guerillas in Rear

With the Chinese Forces somewhere in Shansi, Mar. 14.

LATE at night, on tired ponies, we rode into Chihsien, a Shansi city which the Japanese have twice occupied and twice been forced to abandon. Early the next morning, the City Magistrate, an alert man in the forties, paid us a formal call. He related the story of the city's experiences, giving details from a note-book.

The Japanese, he said, knowing the city to be an important Shansi centre, first marched there through the mountains more than a year ago. As was customary in Shansi, the inhabitants abandoned the city after removing all their food and valuables. Nevertheless, he continued, the city was damaged to the extent of $150,000, many houses being burned.

About 400 Chinese wounded soldiers, whom there was no time to remove, were bayonetted to death by the Japanese, the magistrate stated. Their bodies, he said, were found when Chinese troops recaptured the town after ten days, after guerilla attacks had forced the Japanese to retreat to the railway.

"The second time that the city was attacked was last December," the Magistrate continued.

City Stripped Bare

"Similar precautions were observed. The city was stripped bare of food, while other possessions were buried. This time, the damage amounted to $200,000.

"A Japanese force of 20,000 men advanced in three columns, and occupied the city for about one month. They were allowed to take possession and were not strongly resisted, but Chinese forces closed in behind them, blocking the passes.

"During the Japanese occupation," the Magistrate continued, "Japanese foraging raids resulted in the loss of 900 animals, which were taken for food, and the death of 87 persons, who were shot by the Japanese. Among those dead were 71 peasants, while the others were local officials."

He then told a grim little story of nine families who were living on the summit of a rocky eminence a mile from the city, which could only be reached by chain ladders.

"The people drew up the chains when the Japanese appeared demanding food," he said, "when the Japanese attempted to scale the cliff, they threw down rocks and furniture on their heads, killing several.

"After four days of resistance, the Japanese scaled the hill and put the inhabitants to the sword, some 30 persons being killed. The only survivors were four of the youngest children, two of whom were wounded, while the other two escaped by feigning death."

The Japanese were speedily obliged to abandon Chihsien and began to retreat through the mountains in mid-winter, according to the Magistrate's story, which high Chinese army officers later corroborated. They were forced to retreat since their communications were cut off and food was running short.

"Then the Chinese army seized the opportunity, while holding the passes, and attacked the Japanese, as short of munitions and provisions, they struggled along the trails," the Magistrate said.

"One quarter of the Japanese force, including several high officers, totalling 5,000 in all, suffered casualties, according to Chinese reports," he concluded.

Before resuming our journey, we went for a stroll through the streets of Chihsien, which is a typical small walled Chinese city, lying in a narrow valley between hills. About one fifth of the buildings had been burned, but the city was packed with peasants, and there was a busy trade mart.

Business As Usual

Strings of laden horses, mules and donkeys paced single file through the narrow cobbled streets, which were crowded with inhabitants examining wares in exposed booths, many of which were situated in the ruins of burned premises. A wide variety of goods were on sale and everybody's motto seemed to be "business as usual."

"If the Japanese come again, we shall do as before," the Magistrate told Reuter's correspondent.

"We will leave them an empty city, cut their communications, and wait till they are obliged to retreat. Meanwhile, the local government will function in the hills a few li away.

"Then, when they go, we shall reoccupy the city," the Magistrate predicted.—Reuter.

Four Injured by Japanese Sentry

Coolie Fired Upon for Failure to Obey Order To Stop

Four Chinese pedestrians were slightly injured at about 2 p.m. yesterday, when a Japanese sentry on duty on Szechuen Road Bridge, fired a shot at a Chinese of the coolie class, who apparently had disobeyed certain regulations. Two of the victims took rickshaws to go to the Lester Chinese Hospital, where their wounds were treated, whilst the other two were picked up by the Japanese and conveyed to a hospital in Hongkew, with foot injuries.

There are two versions to the affair. According to one source, the coolie was being searched by the sentry when, suddenly, he pulled himself away and ran down the bridge towards Soochow Road, whilst another version has it that he failed to show his pass to the sentry and when ordered to halt, began running down the bridge towards the Central district. In any case, the coolie in question managed to escape.

In view of the heavy traffic, the report of the shot was heard by a few persons only. Detectives from Central police station were investigating the affair yesterday, whilst the spokesman at the Japanese press conference said that he had heard nothing of the incident.

Children's Day Plans Well Matured

Free Cinema Shows, Clinics Given on April 4

More than 6,000 underprivileged children will be the guests of six local theatres which are now planning to give free motion pictures entertainment for them on the Chinese Children's Day, which falls on April 4, according to a report submitted by Mr. Andrew V. Wu, Secretary for the Standing Committee, to the Executive Committee of the National Child Welfare Association of China at its monthly meeting held in the Chinese Bankers' Club, yesterday at noon, when Mrs. Milton J. Helmick, Second Vice-president of the Association, presided. In his report, Mr. Wu said:

"Elaborate preparations for the celebration in Shanghai of the eighth anniversary of the National Children's Day, which was promulgated by the National Government of China in 1931 upon the recommendation of the National Child Welfare Association of China, are being made by fifteen children's welfare, social and educational organizations under the uspices of our Shanghai Office and the Shanghai Child Protection Society. The celebration will include free clinics by hospitals, free movie shows by theatres, free admission to public parks on National Children's Day. On the same day, recreational meetings for children will be held separately in schools, institutions and refugee camps here.

Physical Examinations

"According to reports received up to the present, thirty-nine hospitals in Shanghai, including St. Luke's Hospital, St. Elizabeth's Hospital and the Paulun Hospital, have agreed to give free clinical service to children on the Children's Day. Some of the hospitals will also give physical examinations, and supply with X rays and medicines freely, and conduct health talks for children.

"More than 6,000 underprivileged children will be the guests of six local theatres which have generously promised to give free motion pictures entertainment for them on April 4. The Central Theatre, besides the movie, will give to each of the children a package of candies as a Children's Day gift. Nearly 10,000 children from 79 schools, institutions and refugee camps have already indicated a desire to enjoy an outing in the public parks through the courtesy of the Shanghai Municipal Council, who have specially agreed to admit groups of children free of charge on the Children's Day. In response to our request, some big business houses here have donated candies, biscuits, etc., which will be redistributed to institutions and refugee camps."

Large Sum Stolen from Rickshaw Passenger

At 11.15 a.m. yesterday, three men, two of them armed with pistols, stopped a public rickshaw in which a clerk was riding on Kiaochow near Sinza Road and relieved him of about $2,000 in cash which he was carrying at the time.

The trio made good their escape whilst the matter was reported to the police. A search carried out near the scene soon afterwards revealed no trace of the thugs who, it was understood, spoke the Kompo dialect.

Detectives from Gordon Road police station are at present investigating the case.

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New Articles of Mobilization Law Invoked in Japan

Further Drastic Restrictions Imposed On Industry; Prices to Be Regulated

Tokyo, Mar. 30.

ECONOMIC repercussions of the Sino-Japanese War will result in the imposition of additional drastic restrictions upon Japanese industry tomorrow when Imperial ordinances will be issued invoking Articles 6 and 22 of the National Mobilization Act. Article 6, which will become effective on April 20, provides for restrictions on the employment of skilled labour in an effort to prevent a rush for skilled workers. Article 22 calls for compulsory training of juvenile workers by certain designated factories employing more than 200 workers. The factories must be responsible for the technical and moral training of young workers between the ages of fourteen and seventeen. The training period will be for three years after the Article becomes effective on April 5.

Article II of the National Mobilization Act will become effective on Saturday, restricting the dividends of Japanese business corporations. Those which have been paying high dividends will be permitted to maintain their present rate, but those desiring to raise their dividend rate above ten per cent. each year must obtain official permission which is not expected to be granted in many cases.

Japan last week took a major step toward complete planned economy with the decision to invoke an article of the National Mobilization Bill giving the Government full control over commodity prices, freight rates, insurance premiums, storage charges and rentals. Business men were almost universally opposed to the new legislation. They asserted that there was no single administrative body competent to delimit fairly the price ranges of Japan's highly varied industries. They also submitted the classical answer of *laissez-faire* proponents to those advocating increased Government control of business. The bureaucracy needed to enforce such legislation, they said, would be sufficiently bulky and complex to collapse under its own weight.

Strict punishment will be imposed on all who violate the provisions of the price control measure, which is Article 19 of the Mobilization law. Violators will be subject to a jail sentence, with or without hard labour, for a period of not more than three years and or a fine of not more than Y.5,000.

Further Step Expected

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry is deliberating the question of whether or not to invoke Article 8 of the National Mobilization bill, considered by many to be a necessary adjunct to Article 19.

Article 8 provides for vertical price control and enables the Government to issue orders regarding production, repairing, distribution, transfer, and consumption of what is loosely termed "General Mobilization Goods." This term can be expanded to mean practically all commodities.

Japanese business men say that if this article is passed and enforced simultaneously with Article 19, Japan will be a socialistic rather than a capitalistic country. They complain that there may be discrimination in favour of industries which are vital in times of war, such as munitions, whereas toy makers, doll manufacturers, and dealers in luxuries will be the first to suffer. They fear a gloomy future for Japan's industries.

Japanese prices in the past have been loosely controlled by a law known as "The Legislation Concerning Temporary Measures for Exports and Imports". Henceforth, this law will no longer apply.

Government leaders hope that good behavior on the part of industrialists will do away with the necessity of imposing even greater restrictions than those contained in Article 19. And this good behavior is practically assured so long as Article 8 remains hanging over the heads of Japan's hard pressed capitalists.—United Press.

Honolulu to Salute U.S.S. Astoria

Special Committee Forms in Tokyo for Receiving Cruiser

Honolulu, Mar. 30.

U.S. Navy planes will stage a formation flight over the U.S.S. Astoria to welcome the American warship when it arrives here on April 4 on its way to Japan bearing the ashes of the late Mr. Hirosi Saito, former Japanese Ambassador to the United States. Battery positions of the U.S. Army will fire a nineteen-gun salute as the cruiser enters the harbour.

Mr. Kosaku Mizusawa, Japanese Consul-General here, and representatives of the Japanese community, will visit Commander Turner on board the Astoria to express their gratitude for the courtesy extended in transporting the former Japanese envoy's ashes to Japan.—Domei.

Tokyo Reception Committee

Tokyo, Mar. 30.

A committee composed of members of both houses of the Diet was formed yesterday to make preparations for the reception of the U.S.S. Astoria and to express Japan's appreciation of the action of the United States Government in sending to Japan on the vessel the ashes of Mr. Hirosi Saito, former Japanese Ambassador to Washington.

Members of the committee are Mr. Gosuke Imai, Mr. Yusuke Tsurumi, Mr. Kojiro Matsukata and Mr. Kyo Yuwase. Headquarters of the group were opened in the Imperial Hotel yesterday. The first meeting of the committee was held in the hotel last night, with 80 representatives of newspapers and news agencies attending. Count Dr. Kentaro Kaneko, Privy Councillor and President of the American Friendship Society, was selected to serve as chairman of the committee by unanimous vote.

The Astoria is expected to arrive in Yokohama on April 17.—Domei.

Wushengkwan Tunnel to Be Reopened

Pinghan Railway Route Being Repaired

Hankow, Mar. 30.

With repair work on the 340-metre Wushangkwan railway tunnel in north-eastern Hupeh, near the Honan border, having been completed on Tuesday by a Japanese engineering unit, a train will make its initial run through it on Friday in connection with ceremonies celebrating its opening. The commander of the unit will be passenger aboard it.

Reconstruction work on the tunnel was begun on January 6 after it had been completely destroyed by Chinese forces when they evacuated the area.

Repairs on the Shih River Bridge, between Wushengkwan and Sinyang were being rushed by the same engineering unit, with the expectation that they will be completed by the middle of April. When completed, railway traffic over the 240-kilometre route between Hankow and Sinyang will be restored.

Meanwhile, the 34-kilometre section between Shihweiyao and Tayeh has been repaired with open ceremonies scheduled for April 4, the anniversary of the death of Emperor Jimmu, Japan's first Emperor.—Domei.

Special Anti-Dumping Duties Urged

Existing Tariff System Held Sufficient

London, Mar. 28.

In the House of Commons today, Mr. Oliver Stanley, the President of the Board of Trade, was asked if, in view of the growing volume of subsidized German imports, he would consider the imposition by legislation of special anti-dumping duties along the lines of those on imports imposed by the American Government.

Mr. Stanley replied that the subject of subsidized competition in the United Kingdom market had been considered on a number of occasions, and further said that there was no reason to differ from the conclusion reached that the existing tariff system was adequate to deal with any competition of this kind.—Wireless through Reuter.

Lieut.-Col. Grenier Has Brilliant Career

Injured Twice in World War; Many Years' Service

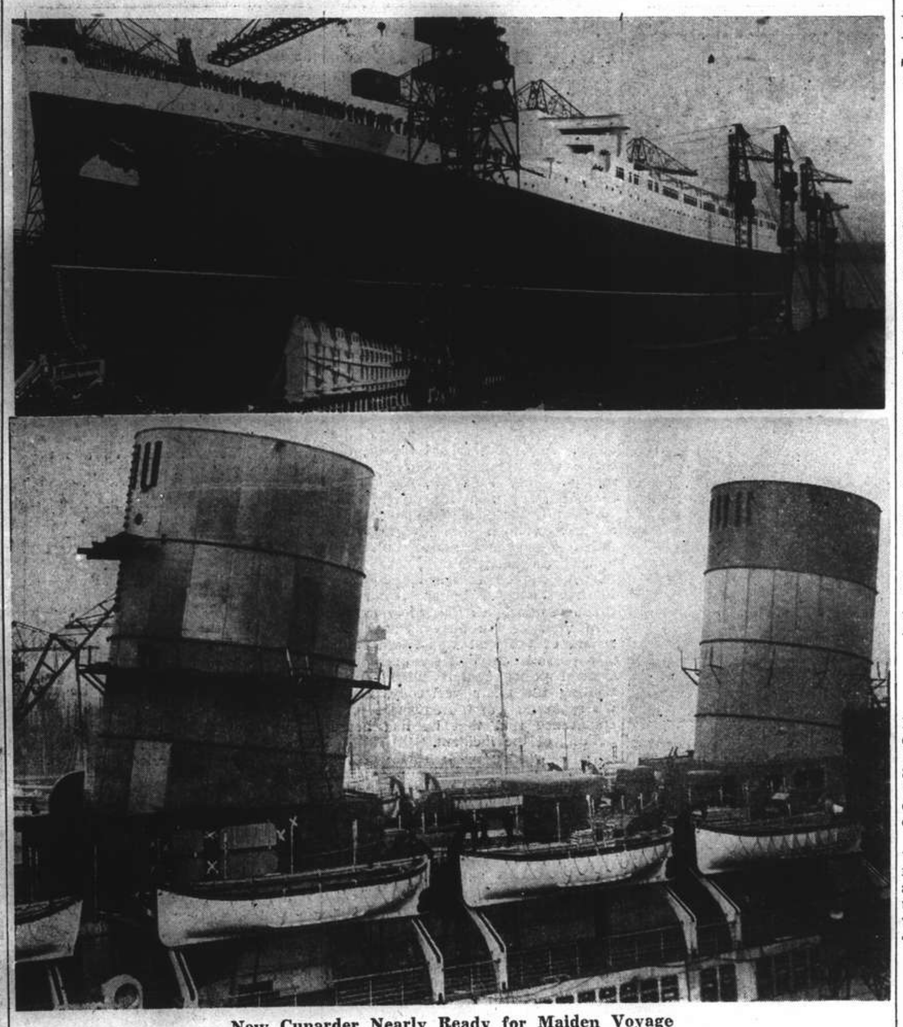
Lieutenant-Colonel Grenier, the new Commanding Officer of the French Forces in Shanghai, who took over his command on Monday, last, from Colonel Perretier, has a distinguished military career.

When the world war broke out, Lieut.-Col. Grenier held a commission as second lieutenant, being promoted to the rank of lieutenant in September 1915 and to the rank of captain in September 1916. In September 1928, he was put in charge of a battalion and was promoted to his present rank in September 1934.

During the world war, he took part in many serious engagements on the French front, for which he was decorated with the Légion d'Honneur and a brilliant citation, together with five other citations. He was injured twice, once in October 1914 and once two years later.

After the armistice, Lieut.-Col. Grenier saw service in Senegal, Mauritania and Dahomey, where he was military commander of the colony and in Indo-China. Meanwhile, however, he took part in several courses including one in aerial aviation and another at Joinville. He is the holder of many decorations and an officer of the Académie Française since 1930.

With 3,000 pigeons of the Japan Carrier Pigeon Society whirring overhead and students of the First Girls' High School of Tokyo Prefecture waving five-barred flags, 30 members of a North China Economic mission headed by Mr. Wang Yin-tai, Minister of Economics in the "Provisional Government" at Peiping, arrived in Tokyo at 10.40 o'clock yesterday morning.



New Cunarder Nearly Ready for Maiden Voyage

The new Cunard-White Star liner Mauretania, launched last July, will make her maiden voyage to New York on June 17. Upper picture shows the funnels installed; lower, scene at the launching. In order to assist British shipping against subsidized foreign competition, the British Government has decided on a policy of subsidies. An advisory committee will advise the Government in connection with passenger liners.

China May Lose in Neutrality Move

U.S. Senators Divided Over "Cash and Carry" Clause Now Sought

Washington, Mar. 30.

Administration officials and members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today hoped that the Committee would give its approval within a fortnight of the "cash and carry" clause outlined by Senator Key Pittman in his proposed neutrality act.

Some Administration leaders and Senators were adopting an extremely cautious attitude toward approving the measure since they pointed out that the clause would actually penalize China and benefit Japan because China has no facilities for transporting her own munitions.

Other Senators, however, said the measure is the sole effective device to meet the European situation. They called attention to the fact that European Powers friendly to China could transport Chinese supplies from the United States via the Suez Canal and discharge them at Burma from where they could be transported by the overland route to China. The Japanese blockade of the China coast prevented United States shipments to be made directly to China.

The Administration apparently is anxious to speed the passage of the bill, but the Senators indicated that there would be strong opposition because of the existence of considerable difference of opinion among them.

Hearings for Wednesday

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee will open public hearings on April 5 to consider proposals for the repeal and modification of the Neutrality Act. Most of the plans to be considered are designed to strengthen the Neutrality Act, affording a wider range of war materials to warring nations, but broadening the enforcement of the "cash and carry" clause.

Among the plans to be studied is one submitted by the chairman of the Committee, Senator Key Pittman, Democrat of Nevada. He would make American manufactured war materials, as well as raw materials, available to any warring nations. Provisions in his bill require immediate declaration of a state of war abroad regardless of whether or not the hostilities have assumed the form of a declared war.

"Cash and Carry" Drawback

Senator Pittman's bill, although making manufactured war materials available to nations such as China where manufacturing facilities are lacking, would only partially aid victims of aggression. The bill calls for immediate enforcement of the "cash and carry" clause of the present neutrality legislation and would benefit nations with powerful navies.

In Europe his bill would favour the Democratic Powers, but China probably would not benefit to the same extent. The "cash and carry" clause is designed to prevent America's merchant marine from becoming involved in foreign wars while transporting munitions or vital raw materials.

A similar bill has been introduced by a group of Isolationist Senators headed by Senator Gerald P. Nye, Republican of North Dakota.—United Press.

Tourists Encouraged to Visit Far East

Communication Network Being Formed

Peiping, Mar. 30.

A communication network between Japan, North China, Manchoukuo, Korea and Formosa will be formed in April, according to an announcement by the North China Railway Bureau.

Through negotiations between the Bureau and the Japanese Ministry of Railways, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Korean Railway Bureau and the Manchoukuo Railway Bureau, seasonal sight-seeing tickets will be sold from April 1 at all leading stations and tourist bureaux in the five territories concerned.

Through tickets, enabling holders to visit the scenic spots of these territories, will be sold at 20 to 40 per cent. discount compared with single trip tickets. The new arrangement, it is reported, aims at encouraging foreign tourists to visit the Far East.—Reuter.

Pseudo Detectives Sentenced

Prison Term for Extorting Money from Woman

Convicted of extortion in which the accused posed as detectives attached to the anti-narcotic department of the Shanghai Municipal Police, Wu Pi-nien and Wang Chang-keng were each sentenced to one year and two months' imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court.

The crime dates back to March 21 when they broke into a Chinese residence in Lane 53 Amoy Road and extorted $25 from the relatives of an aged woman who is alleged to be an opium smoker. They produced a letter purporting to have been written by an informant saying that there was an opium smoker in the house and threatened to arrest the woman if money was not forthcoming.

They were unlucky, however, because when they were escaping after obtaining the money they were met by a real detective near the front door.

Nanking Normal School To Be Founded

Teachers to Be Trained By New Regime

A state normal school will be established in Nanking by the Ministry of Education of the "Reformed Government" to train educators for the staffs of model primary and middle schools to be opened in each hsien in the three provinces under its jurisdiction, it was reported yesterday.

The normal school will be established by elevating the status of the temporary Teachers' Training School which was opened in Nanking last January.

Primary and middle schools in each hsien are considered necessary in order to train young Chinese to serve as future officials of the government. Sons and daughters of "Reformed Government" officials will be given the first opportunity to enter the schools.

The number of school children in Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei has reached a peak of 100,000, it is said.

Smallpox No Longer Epidemic

Satisfactory State Reported To Municipal Council

The Commissioner of Public Health has reported to the Shanghai Municipal Council that smallpox is no longer epidemic in the International Settlement inasmuch as for several weeks it has not shown the number of cases necessary to constitute an epidemic.

Taking the Shanghai area as a whole, it is probable that smallpox is no longer epidemic. This state of affairs is considered satisfactory since under normal circumstances March would be a month of heavy incidence.

Mysterious Shooting In Concession

Unknown Gunmen Fire Several Shots

At about 10 a.m. yesterday, some shots, believed to have been two or three in number, were exchanged between three gunmen opposite 33 Rue Victor Emmanuel near Route Pere Robert. None of those concerned reported the matter to the Concession police and detectives in charge of the case were of the opinion that the shooting had occurred between members of rival gangs.

The theory that the failure to pay gambling debts had been the reason for the exchange of shots is also entertained, although deep mystery surrounded the case last night.

Two cartridges were picked up near the scene and have been handed to ballistic experts for examination.

Meanwhile reports of the shooting have been circulated to all the hospitals in the city and up to a late hour last night, no hospital had reported the admittance of any person suffering from shot-wounds sustained in the French Concession shoot-up.

Local Taxes Banned

Peiping, Mar. 30.

In response to a petition submitted by the local Ministry of the Interior, the "Provisional Government" has issued an order prohibiting provincial and local authorities from imposing miscellaneous taxes other than those it has sanctioned.

Punishment of provincial and municipal officials who disregard the order is threatened.—Reuter.

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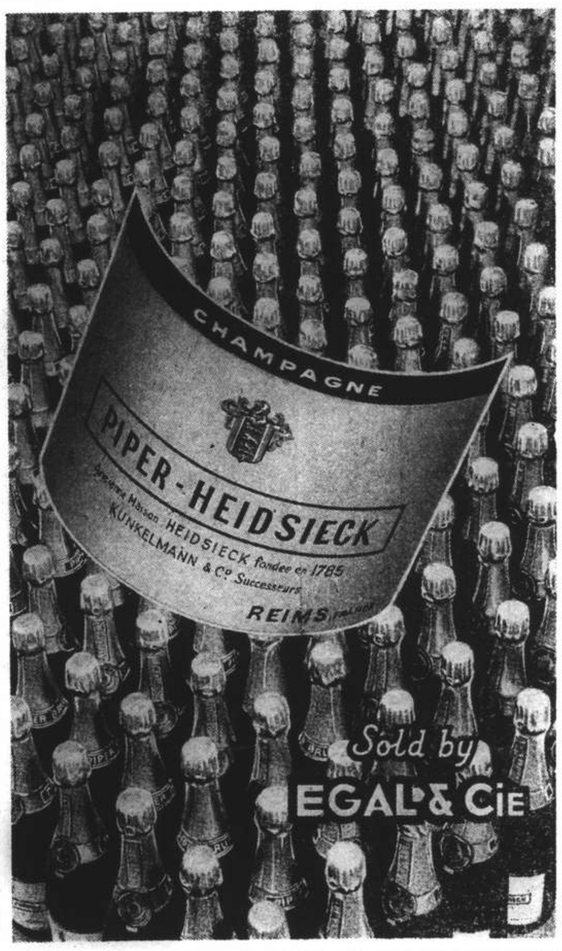

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G.$ T.T.	16 1/16	4 m/s. l.c.	16¼
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London silver was 1/16 down for ready and unchanged forward, being 19⅞ for ready and 19⅝ forward. New York was unchanged at 42¾ and Bombay was closed.

It was reported business was small. Market ruled quietly steady. After the official fixing the market remained quietly steady, with small buyers at the fixed rate and sellers at 1/16 over.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8 7/32 sterling and 16 1/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market was again dependant upon support at 8¼ sterling for ready but forward rates were inclined to be easy. At the close there were sellers at:—

8¼	sterling	16 1/16	U.S.$	Mar.
8 15/64	"	16 1/32	"	Apr.
8 7/32	"	16	"	May

Foreign Exchanges

London & Sterling T. T. on: Mar. 29.

New York	468.18	Shanghai	8 7/32d N
Paris	176.75	Bombay	1/5 31/32
Berlin	11.66½	Hongkong	1/2 23/32
Amsterdam	8.81⅞	Singapore	2/3 31/32
Brussels	27.82	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	42.00 x	" (Buying)	Unq.
Milan	89.00	x—Official seller	
Berne	20.82½		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.12	Japan	27.32
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.18
Holland	53.09	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.64 13/16	C'slovakia	Unq.
Brussels	16.82⅝	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.72½
S'zerland	22.47½	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.13	Greece	0.86
Norway	23.52½	Bulgaria	1.20
Denmark	20.90	Finland	2.07
Montreal	99.545	Poland	18.87½
Brazil	5.90		
London			4.68⅛
" Demand			4.68
" Bankers' 60 days bills			4.67 11/16
" Commercial 60 days bills			4.67 11/16
Buenos Aires Paper			29.04
Buenos Aires Paper, market rate			23.05
Montreal on London			4.70 5/16

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:		Mar. 29.
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 11/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 1/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
" " "	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0½%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0½%B
		0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0 9/16%B
		0½%A
Call Money		1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

U.S. Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 29.

The cotton market ruled nervous and irregular under the influence of foreign selling and President Roosevelt's recommendation for an export subsidy. After opening easy on sharply lower Liverpool cables, the new crop months rallied briskly and closed comparatively strong but the near positions continued weak, prices closing 7 points off to 9 points up as compared with yesterday's final quotations.

The market for raw rubber was extremely dull and featureless, only 45 contracts changing hands while prices moved within a narrow range, finishing the session from 4 points down to 1 point higher as compared with the previous closing levels.

Wheat futures in Chicago eased under liquidation induced by the weakness of the foreign markets and reports of beneficial rains, closing ¼ to ⅜ cent per bushel lower.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
May	8.06-09	—07	May	16.05-05	unc.
July	7.90-91	—06	July	16.06-05	+01
Oct.	7.64-65	+07	Sept.	16.01-05	+04
Dec.	7.58-58	+06	Dec.	16.06-06	+01
Jan.	7.59 N	+08			
Mar.	7.65 N	+09			

New York Sugar No. 4			New York Silk	
May	1.18½-18	+1		
	B/A		May (No. 1)	
July	1.18-19	+1		2.13B-16A +2½
	B/A			

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May 67½-67⅝	—¼	May 47⅝-47½	—⅛
July 67⅝-67½	—¼	July 49¼-49⅛	—¼
Sept. 68⅜-68⅜	—⅜	Sept. 50⅛-50⅛	—⅛

Winnipeg Wheat

May	60⅛-60⅛	—⅛
July	60⅞-60⅞	—⅛
Oct.	61¾-61⅞	—¼

A—Asked. B—Bid.—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

In today's market a mixed trend was apparent, the outstanding feature being the persistent demand for first class debentures. Large lines of Power 5½ per cent. were transacted at 91½ with good buyers still in evidence.

Wharves, Trams and Waterworks, all cum dividend, were in good demand, the former repeating its high level of $207½.

There is apparently no lack of funds seeking a fair return, but European uncertainties continue to act as a damper.

Ewos were a shade easier, while rubbers were inactive.

Official Averages

1939 High	Low		Today's Averages	Changes
154.51	105.32	General	142.36	—1.36
152.40	95.55	Rubbers	143.94	—0.75

Total 12,774 shares, 1,800 bonds.

Morning Session

$160,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 91.50
£3,000	Lunghai British Stpd.	£ 18/10/-
₮10,000	F. M. C. 6½% Debs. 1925	₮ 98.50
₮7,000	Asia Realty 6% Debs.	62.50
300	Anglo Java	$ 15.50
3,500	Ewo Mills (Ord)	19.80
50	S'hai Cotton	106.00
980	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.00
300	Wheelock	35.50
1,000	S'hai Loan	6.05
500	Exploration	8.20
50	S. & H. Wharf	206.50
50	S. & H. Wharf	207.50
1,000	New Eng. (Ord)	6.95
	ODD LOTS	
10	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 19.70
100	New Eng. (Ord)	7.05
10	S. & H. Wharf	207.00
260	New Eng. (Pref)	6.85

Afternoon Session

200	Anglo Java	$ 15.50
25	H. & S. Bank	Hk $1,375.00*
1,000	S'hai Land	$ 8.90
75	Anglo French Land	140.00
20	S'hai Power (Pref)	130.00
600	Ewo Mills (Ord)	19.80
1,000	S'hai Loan	6.00
50	S'hai Cotton	106.00
100	Wheelock	35.50
1,000	Exploration	8.15
	ODD LOTS	
4	Int. Assurance	$ 8.40
460	S'hai Land	8.85
100	S'hai Land	8.95

*—Outport Business.

London Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 29.

Early quietness on the Stock Exchange today accompanied by a downward drift was followed by a marked improvement late in the session when the tenor of Mr. Chamberlain's statement on defence in the House of Commons became known.

British gilt-edged securities recovered their earlier losses, while Kaffirs also appeared brighter. Industrials ruled steady at lower levels and shippings hardened on the Government's subsidy announcements. Internationals did better in sympathy with Wall Street.—Reuter.

	Mar. 28	29
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£95 1/16	95½
JAPANESE BONDS		
Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	38	38
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	43	43
	Osaka, Mar. 30.	
Kogo 5%		Y.103.80
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL		
Allied Ironfounders	18/6	18/6
Armstrong Stevens	7/6	7/6
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	39/7½	39/4½
Austin Motors, ord.	31/3	31/3
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	21/4½	21/3
British American Tob.	95/7½	95/7½
Cable & W., new form	41	40
Cammell Laird, ord.	8/-	8/-
Courtaulds	25/6	25/3
Distillers	90/3	89/9
Dunlop Rubber	26/-	25/9
General Elec. (Eng.)	76/10½	75/10½
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	100/6	99/6
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	20/4½	20/-
Imp. Chem. Indus.	29/10½	29/9
Imp. Tobacco	130/7½	130/7½
Leyland Motors	86/3	86/3
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	57/-	56/6
Pressed Steel, com.	16/3	16/-
Rolls-Royce	105/-	105/-
Smethwick Drop Forgings	15/9	15/9
Tate & Lyle	59/9	60/-
Turner & Newall	75/7½	75/-
United Steel	23/4½	23/3
Vickers, ord.	21/-	20/9
Woolworths	60/-	59/6
MISCELLANEOUS		
Anglo Dutch	24/1½	24/-
Rubber Pltn. Inv.	27/1½	27/-
MINES		
Burma Corp.	8/6	8/4½
Commonwealth Min.	1/1½	1/1½
Marsman Invest.	13/9	13/9
Randfontein Ests.	35/-	35/-
Sub-Nigel	220/-	220/-
Tanami Gold Min.	3d.	3d.
Western Holdings	8/9	9/3
OILS		
Anglo Iranian	83/9	83/9
Burmah	79/4½	80/-
Mexican Eagle	6/9	6/10½
Shell Trans. & Trad.	81/3	81/3
CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£74½	73
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	67	67
4½% Anglo-French Loan	60	60
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	39½	39½
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	51½	52
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	17	17
5% Honan Rly., 1905	22	22
5% Hukuang Rly., 1913	23	23
5% " " (Ger. Is.)	20½	20½
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	17½	18
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	25	26
5% T'sin-Pukow Rly. B.	17	17
5% " " G.	17	17
5% " " (Supl. Loan) B.	17	17
5% " " (Supl. Loan) G.	17	17
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	21	21
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½ N	19½ N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30½	30½
Chart'd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8⅝	8½
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	83	82½
" " (Col. Reg.)	85	84
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/6	17/6
Chosen Corp.	6/-	6/-
Pekin Syndicate	2/- N	2/- N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	18/9	18/9

N—Nominal.

British Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 29.

Among commodities, cotton declined sharply on general selling following President Roosevelt's support for cotton export subsidy proposals to recapture America's share of the world market. Speculative support at the lower levels, however, induced a partial recovery.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 8 +1/16; sellers 8⅛ +1/16; Apl./June delivery, buyers 8 1/16 +1/16; sellers 8⅛ +8 1/16.

London Sugar (Buyers): May 6/5¾ +¼; Aug. 6/5 unch. Dec. 6/2 —¼.

Liverpool Wheat: Mar. 4/3¼ —¼; May 4/4⅜ —¼; July (New contract) 4/4⅜ —¼.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Mar. 4.66 —16; May 4.60 —15; July 4.48 —12; Sept. 4.41 —11; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 contract Mar. 6.62 —11; May 6.65 —11; July 6.70 —11; Sept. 6.70 —11.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £43⅛ —⅛; 3 mths sellers £43 7/16 —1/16; Electrolytic, buyers £48½ unch.; sellers £49½ unch.; Tin, Standard, cash, sellers £216¼ unch. 3 mths sellers £214⅝ —⅜; Lead, official price, sellers £14⅝ —⅛; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £14 11/16 —1/16; Speiter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13 11/16 —⅛; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £13 13/16 unch.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 29.

With foreign political uncertainties still calling the tune, the stock market today experienced a dull and narrow session. However, as lightly better feeling was apparent and prices in the later dealings registered a slight upward drift in light trading. The turnover totalled 470,000 shares. Favourable domestic trade news largely ignored as operators continued to keep a close watch on European developments.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	140.55	138.84	139.75	+0.42
20 Rails	29.78	29.31	29.75	+0.41
15 Utilit.	23.95	23.60	23.87	+0.37
40 Bonds	—	—	90.43	+0.14
11 Commod.	—	—	47.74	+0.05

	Mar. 28	29
Adams Express	8½	8⅜
Allegheny Ludlum Steel	20⅛	20¼
Allied Stores	9	9
Allis Chalmers	38	37¾
Amerada Corp.	59½	—
Amer. Can	88⅞	88⅛
Amer. & For. Power	2⅞	2⅞
" " $7 pfd.	17	17⅛
Amer. Gas & Elec.	34⅝	35¼
Amer. Locomotive	21¼	21¾
Amer. Metal	30¼	32¼
Amer. Radiator	13½	13⅞
Amer. Rolling Mill	16¼	16⅜
Amer. Smelting	41⅝	41⅝
Amer. Sugar Refining	20	20
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	158¼	158¾
Amer. Tobacco "B"	84¾	86¼
Amer. Waterworks	10⅞	11⅛
Anaconda Copper	26⅞	27⅛
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	32	33
Auburn	3½	—
Baltimore & Ohio	6	6
Barber Asphalt Corp.	15⅞	16
Barnsdall Oil Co.	15⅝	15½
Bendix Aviation	23	23⅜
Bethlehem Steel	65⅝	65⅞
Boeing Airplane Co.	24⅝	25
Borg Warner	25⅝	26½
Briggs Mfg. Co.	23⅝	24
Bklyn-Manhattan Trans.	10⅛	9⅞
" $6 cm. pfd.	—	—
Can. Pacific Rly.	4⅜	4⅜
Case, J. I.	83	83
Celanese Corp.	19	19¼
Chase Nat. Bank	B 31	B 31½
Chesapeake & Ohio	35	35⅛
Chrysler	73½	73⅞
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6⅞	6⅞
" 6% "A" pfd.	89	B 88⅞
Coml. Credit	50	51
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1⅜	1⅜
" $6 cum. pfd.	55½	51
Consolid. Edison	31⅛	31⅝
Consolid. Oil	8¼	8⅜
Continental Can	38¼	39
Continental Oil	26½	26
Corn Products	64½	63½
Curtiss Wright (com.)	5¾	5⅞
" "A"	24¼	24¼
Deere & Co.	20½	20⅝
Distillers Corp.	B 18¼	18⅛
Douglas Aircraft	65	65¼
Du Pont de Nemours	148½	149⅜
Eagle Picher Lead	10	10⅛
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	23	23
Elec. Auto Lite	32¼	32¾
Elec. Bond & Share	9½	9⅝
" $5 pfd.	58	—
" $6 pfd.	68½	B 68
Engineers Public Serv.	9¾	10⅛
Elec. Pwr. & Lt.	31¾	32¼
Flintkote	23½	24
Food Machinery Corp.	26	26
Gen. Amer. Trans.	52¼	51½
Gen. Elec.	37⅝	37⅞
Gen. Motors	45¾	46
Gen. Rly. Signal	19½	19½
Glidden Co.	19¼	18⅞
Goodrich (B.F.)	19¾	20¼
" $5 pfd.	64	64½
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	30⅛	30⅞
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	14⅝	14⅝
Great Nthrn. Rly.	23⅝	24½
Great Western Sugar	26½	—
Greyhound Corp.	18⅞	18¾
Hecker Products	10⅛	10⅝
Homestake Min.	63¾	63⅝
Indus. Rayon	23¼	23½
Int. Harvester	56⅝	58¼
Int. Nickel	48½	48⅝
Int. Tel. & Tel.	8⅛	8⅛
Johns Manville	79	78
Jones & Laughlin	B 45	B 45½
Kennecott	35½	35⅞
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	47¼	47½
Lockheed Aircraft	28	28½
Loew's Inc.	43⅜	43⅜
Manhattan Shirt Co.	—	—
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	35¼	35⅞
McKesson & Rob.	11¾	12⅛
Monsanto Chemical	96	97½
Montgomery Ward	47¾	48⅜
Nat. City Bank	B 24	B 24½
Nat. Dairy Products	15	14⅝
Nat. Distillers	27	27
Nat. Gypsum	13⅝	13¾
Nat. Lead	22⅛	22½
Nat. Power & Lt.	8	8
Nat. Steel Corp.	70¼	69¼
Nat. Supply Co.	10¼	10¼
New York Central	17⅛	17⅛
Niagara Hudson Power	7⅝	7¾
North Amer. Aviation	16	16¼
North Amer. Co.	22¼	22⅝
Northern Pacific	10⅜	10⅝
Pacific Gas & Elec.	32⅛	32⅝
Pacific Lighting	45¼	45⅝
Packard Motors	3¾	3⅝
Paramount Pictures Inc.	9⅛	9⅜
Pennsylvania R.R.	20	20⅜
Phelps Dodge	36½	37
Phillips Petroleum	37¼	38
Public Serv. of N.J.	34½	35
Pullman, Inc.	29¾	30
Pure Oil	8¾	8¾
Radio Corp. of Amer.	6⅞	6⅞
Republic Steel Co.	18⅝	18½
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	38⅜	38⅝
Richfield Oil Corp.	8½	8⅜
Safeway Stores	33¾	34½
Schenley	14⅝	15
" 5½% pfd.	—	71
Sears Roebuck	70	71⅝
Shell Union Oil	12⅜	12½
Socony-Vacuum	12¼	12¼
Sthrn. Pacific	15½	15⅝
Sthrn. Rly. 5% pfd.	25	25⅜
Sperry Corp.	40¾	41¼
Stand. Brands	6⅝	6¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3⅛	3⅛
Stand. Oil of Calif.	27½	27¼
Stand. Oil of N.J.	46¾	47¼
Stone & Webster	12½	12¾
Swift International	—	27¾
Technicolor	16½	17
Texas Corp.	41¾	41⅛
Texas Gulf Sulphur	29⅞	29
Transamerica	7	6¾
Tw. Century Fox Film.	20½	21¼
" " pfd.	—	—
Un. Carbide & Carbon	78	79
Un. Pacific	96½	99½
Un. Aircraft	37½	37
Un. Air Lines Trans.	10⅝	10¾
Un. Corp.	2¾	2⅞
" $3 cum. pfd.	35	34⅛
Un. Gas Corp.	2⅝	2½
Un. Gas Improvement	12	12½
U. S. Rubber	42⅞	43¼
" 8% pfd.	98½	98⅞
U. S. Steel	55	55¼
Vanadium	23¾	23¾
Warner Bros. Picts.	5⅛	5½
Westinghouse Elec.	100¾	100½
Woodward Iron	20¼	B 20½
BONDS		
Amer. & For. Power	57¾	58
Brazil	18½	18½
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	20¾	20¼
Cities Serv. Pwr.	81	82
Erie R.R.	11	11
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	68	68⅞
Minas Geraes	B 11	—
New England Gas	65¾	68
Peru	10½	10¾
Rio Grande do Sul	B 10½	B 10½
Sao Paulo	B 10¼	B 11
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	50½	50¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	63	63½

B—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

While traders were awaiting M. Daladier's speech, stock prices today made small average gains. Trading, however, was slow and light in volume. Foreign news is considered to be less disturbing, with domestic news mostly of a favourable nature. "Iron Age" reports steel production as being ahead of orders. Retail trade showed gains and gasoline statistics have improved with prices ruling firmer.

Irregular conditions ruled in the bond market, with United States government issues reaching record highs.

London Silver Market

London, Mar. 29.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu & Company, in their weekly bullion letter, write:—Values in the London silver market during the past week showed little variation. Indian Bazaars and America bought and offerings included resales by Bazaars and speculators.

At present the market is ruling quiet, with no decided tendency.—Reuter.

State of Hongkew Deplored

Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf, Co., Ltd., Declares Dividend

The serious situation which has been created in the port of Shanghai by the impounding of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board's dredging craft and equipment as well as the abnormal conditions still prevailing in Hongkew, were stressed by Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the board of Directors of the Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co., Ltd., at the annual meeting of the company held yesterday morning, at which 21,709 shares were represented. A dividend of $10 per share, was declared.

In his speech, the chairman said:

Taking all things into consideration we must consider the result of the year's working satisfactory and I think it is considerably better than might have been expected.

Hongkew Conditions Deplored

It is deplorable that in the year which has passed since our last Annual General Meeting there is practically no progress to report as regards conditions in the Hongkew area where the major part of our properties are situated. The restrictions imposed on free access North of the Soochow creek still severely handicap our activities and are a grave inconvenience to all consignees, shippers and clients. It is now about eighteen months since active hostilities moved away from this part of the International Settlement and a return to something approaching normal conditions is long overdue.

Taxation paid by us on Hongkew properties amounted to $286,000.00 in 1938 for which in view of the restricted use of roads we received a very inadequate return. No blame attaches of course to the Shanghai Municipal Council who are obviously doing their utmost under adverse conditions to restore services and amenities.

On the occasion of the annual meeting last year I mentioned the serious situation which had been created by the impounding of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board's Dredging Craft and equipment. I regret that here again there is no progress to report. Sooner or later this matter will become of urgent importance to the welfare of the community as a whole.

Buildings

Buildings which suffered damage during the hostilities have all been reinstated and the cost has been charged in full to revenue. A claim has been lodged with H.B.M. Consulate.

Our properties are all in a good state of repair. New construction in hand has been completed and until conditions become more settled it is not your Directors intention to proceed with any new development of major importance.

Turning now to the Accounts: If you will look at the profit and loss account you will see that the amount brought in from working account is $989,168.73 which is an improvement approximately $415,000.00 as compared with year 1937. We handled an increased number of ocean going steamers but as a result of conditions in Hongkew and on the Yangtsze the berthing of coast and river steamers fell off considerably. Our increased earnings were derived principally from storage.

The auditors' fees are slightly higher than last year as we have agreed to give them exchange compensation on one third of their annual fee. I hope you will support the resolution which will be proposed authorising the increase for 1938 which amounts to $483.29.

Cash Position Healthy

Depreciation has been written off on the usual scale. The balance sheet follows the usual lines and I think you will agree that it is a very solid and satisfactory document. The cash position is healthy.

The balance at credit profit and loss and available for distribution is $762,371.51. The directors recommend a dividend of $10.00 per share paying a bonus to staff of $15,000.00 and carrying forward $147,371.51. I hope these recommendations will have your approval.

The staff bonus is in line with what we have done in previous years and I can assure you it has been well earned.

Before putting the resolutions I shall be pleased to answer any questions arising out of the accounts.

There being no questions, the following resolutions were passed:

That the report and accounts for 1938 be adopted, that a dividend of $10.00 be declared, and that the allocation of the amount then available as recommended by the directors be passed.

Proposed by Mr. W. J. Keswick. Seconded by Mr. L. Kadoorie.

That Messrs. L. J. Davies, D. Morison, Pan Ching Poo, L. Kadoorie and Dr. A. Korff be and they are hereby re-elected directors of the Company.

Proposed by Mr. Yuck Chor Pun. Seconded by Mr. John McCaig.

That Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews be and they are hereby re-elected auditors for the ensuing year, and that the usual annual fee of Ch.$2,097.90 be adjusted in respect of the past year 1938 so that two thirds will be paid in local currency and the other one third will be converted into Sterling at 1/2⅜d. to Ch.$1.00 and reconverted at 8½d. to Ch.$1.00 making a total fee for the year of $2,581.19.

Proposed by Mr. Pan Tze Chuen. Seconded by Mr. A. H. Merriles.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

March 30	Closing a.m. Closing	Prices p.m. Opening
Antamok	.39XD	.39XD
Atok	.345XD	.34XD
Balatoc	8.60	8.70
Batong	.018	.017
Benguet Consolidated	12.40	12.40
Big Wedge	.31XD	.31XD
Coco Grove	.39	.39
Demonstration	.145	.145
I X L	—	.58XD
Masbate	.135	.135
North Camarines	.56	.56
San Mauricio	1.94	1.94
Surigao Con., Com.	.21	.21
Surigao Con. Vot. Trust	.21	.21
Suyoc	.175	.175
United Paracale	.67XD	.67

Turnover: 259,000 Pesos.
XD—Ex. Dividend.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Mar. 29.

The share market today showed only minor changes as compared with the previous days. Few buying orders were placed by bank customers. The transactions on a whole were of minor importance.

Metallgesellschaft increased 1½ to 116 and Felten went up 1⅞ to 131 while Rheinisch-Westfaelische Elektrizitaetswerke and Demag dropped 1 each at 114⅜ and 142½ respectively.

Call money stood at 2¾ to 3 per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd., Annual Meeting

Results Best in History Of the Company

The 36th ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co. Ltd. was held yesterday at the offices of the Secretaries, Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Ltd. 2 French Bund. Mr. G. E. Marden presided and was supported by Messrs. F. R. Davey, P. H. Bordwell and K. M. Fetterly, directors. Also present were Capt. G. S. Weigall, General Manager, Mr. W. J. Hawkings, representing the secretaries and shareholders representing 25,449 shares.

The chairman in his speech said:

The local situation has conducted to the extensive use of your company's craft and the results shown are the best in our history. It seems likely that we shall continue to find satisfactory employment for some time to come either as a result of existing conditions or in the rehabilitation work which will undoubtedly follow the hoped for return of peaceful conditions.

Value of Fleet

After allowing for ordinary depreciation I am able to emphasize the statement made to you last year that your fleet is valued at a conservative figure and you will see that the opportunity which presented itself during the year to dispose of obsolete craft was availed of satisfactorily. The units sold included the Mail Tender "Victoria" which was laid up for 28 months from September 1935 to January 1938.

Our Subsidiary successfully undertook the raising of sundry craft in the river and despite an outport loss there was a small profit on actual salvage operations. Depreciation of equipment and the usual overhead costs converted this to a balance sheet loss, our proportion of which has been charged against our own Profit and Loss Account. The Subsidiary is now engaged on raising a large coaster in the river.

Year's Profits

From profits for the year an Interim Dividend of Tls. 1.75 (3½%) per share on the Preference Shares and $10 per share on the Ordinary Shares was declared and if you approve of the Directors' recommendations a further 3½% on the Preference Shares and $24 per share on the Ordinary Shares will be distributed, whilst the General Reserve will stand at $700,000.

Before formally proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to reply to the best of my ability to any questions you may wish to put.

There being no questions, the following resolutions were then put to the meeting and carried unanimously:

That the report and accounts as presented be adopted.

Proposed by Mr. G. E. Marden. Seconded by Mr. P. H. Bordwell.

That the amount standing at credit of the Profit and Loss Account, viz., $900,537.93, be appropriated as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of 3½ per cent. on 10,000 Preference Shares, viz., Tls. 17,500 at Ex. 71.5	$ 24,475.52
To pay a final dividend of $24.00 per share on 26,000 Ordinary shares	624,000.00
Transfer to General Reserve	150,000.00
To carry forward	102,062.41
	$900,537.93

Proposed by Mr. G. E. Marden. Seconded by Mr. F. R. Davey.

That Mr. K. M. Fetterly, who retires in accordance with the Articles of Association, be re-elected a director of the company.

Proposed by Mr. P. H. Bordwell. Seconded by Mr. F. R. Davey.

That Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews be re-elected auditors of the company at a remuneration to be arranged.

Proposed by Mr. G. E. Marden. Seconded by Mr. K. M. Fetterly.

N. Y. Market Shows Small Gains

New York, Mar. 29.

Prices on the New York Stock Exchange showed small gains today in a quiet session awaiting the speech of the French Premier, M. Edouard Daladier. Bonds advanced irregularly while United States Government issues reached record highs.

The market opened with moderate losses but firmed after the first hour of trading and was steady for the remainder of the session.

Foreign news was less disturbing and domestic news was mixed. President Roosevelt's cotton plan announcement brought heavy selling on foreign cotton markets and cotton closed irregularly here.

Most price changes in stocks were fractional and there was no effort made to follow the advance. Santa Fe gained a point, featuring developments among rails. Steels were irregular and most aviations showed small gains.

Wall Street hears that Detroit interests are more conservative in their auto sales outlook than they were a few weeks ago. Many traders are switching their attention from abroad to the domestic business scene. Columbian Carbon's first quarter earnings will be 15 per cent. above the same period of last year.

Favourable market factors today included:

1. Indications that carloadings in 1939 will hit a new high.
2. The improved gasoline situation.
3. Expanded short interest which is bolstering the market's technical position.
4. Increased electricity gains in 1939.

Among the unfavourable factors were these:

1. Steel production is well above the rate of incoming business.
2. The European situation.
3. Doubts regarding the Government's business appeasement program.
4. An increasing number of traders showing a bearish short-term trend.—United Press.

Electricity Output in U. S.

New York, Mar. 29.

Production of electricity by the electric light and power industry of the United States for the week ended March 25 totalled 2,199,000,000 kilowatt hours, according to the weekly statement of the Edison Electric Institute published today.

This indicated a gain of 11.3 per cent. over the corresponding week last year, when the output totalled 1,975,000,000 kilowatt hours.

Electricity output during the previous week totalled 2,225,000,000 kilowatt hours, showing an increase of 10.3 per cent. over the corresponding week of last year.—Reuter.

G. E. Marden & Co., Ltd., Hold Annual Meeting

Net Profit for Year of $453,588.82 Shown

The 10th ordinary general meeting of shareholders of G. E. Marden & Co., Ltd. was held at the offices of the Secretaries, Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Ltd. No. 2 French Bund, yesterday. Mr. G. E. Marden presided and was supported by Messrs. F. R. Davey and V. K. Song, directors. Also present were Mr. W. J. Hawkings, manager and representing the Secretaries and shareholders representing 74,000 shares.

The chairman in his speech said:

The net profit for the year amounted to $543,588.82 which is again the largest in the history of the company and a substantial proportion of this must be attributed to the dislocation of transportation facilities caused by the local situation.

Goodwill Written Off

Your directors decided to write off the entire amount of goodwill against General Reserve, whilst that other unrepresented asset "Debenture Discount & Underwriting Commission" has also disappeared, being written off almost entirely against the profit realized from the purchase and cancellation of certain of our own debentures.

Freehold property is practically unchanged and leasehold property has been either amortized mathematically to the end of the lease or in some cases more drastically written down. Adequate depreciation has been allowed for on our other property.

Investments

Investments in subsidiary Companies have been increased by the reinvestment of part of the dividends received from them.

From profits for the year an interim dividend of $2 per share was declared and if you approve of the directors' recommendations a further $3 per share will be distributed, and the General Reserve will stand at $100,000.

Before formally proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to reply to the best of my ability to any questions you may wish to put.

There being no questions, the following resolutions were then put to the meeting and carried unanimously:

That the report and accounts as presented be adopted.

Proposed by Mr. G. E. Marden. Seconded by Mr. F. R. Davey.

That the amount standing at credit of the Profit and Loss Account, viz. $391,056.23 be appropriated as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of $3.00 per share	$225,000.00
Transfer to general reserve	84,790.21
Carry forward	81,306.02
	$391,096.23

Proposed by Mr. G. E. Marden. Seconded by Mr. V. K. Song.

That Messrs. G. E. Marden and V. K. Song, who retire in accordance with the Articles of Association, be re-elected directors of the company.

Proposed by Mr. F. R. Davey. Seconded by Mr. W. J. Hawkings.

That Messrs. Thomson & Co., be re-elected auditors of the company, at a remuneration to be arranged.

Proposed by Mr. V. K. Song. Seconded by Mr. W. J. Hawkings.

Measure To Aid Cotton Killed

Washington, Mar. 29.

A measure ostensibly designed to finance the proposed cotton relief plan was killed in the House of Representatives today by 195 votes to 98.

While no commodity was mentioned, the proposed amendment to the Farm Appropriations bill providing for US$60,000,000 for the development of domestic markets and to subsidize foreign exports was voted down. The amendment was proposed by Mr. Marvin Jones, chairman of the House Agricultural Committee, and was aimed at helping the cotton situation.

The House later passed the US$1,000,000,000 agricultural appropriation measure after striking out another amendment for US$250,000,000 for parity payments to farmers. Previously, parity payments were apprived by four votes.

The sudden reversal was due to the economy drive which is gaining strength in Congress in order to inspire business confidence.

The House approved without debate an appropriation of US$47,975,000 in the farm bill to carry out the sugar act during the year ending June 30, 1940.—United Press.

U. S. Crude Oil Production

New York, Mar. 29.

The American Petroleum Institute of New York, in its weekly report issued today, estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production for the week ended March 25 totalled 3,382,000 barrels.

This represents a drop of 2,000 barrels from the last week, and a drop of 24,000 barrels from the corresponding week of last year.

The daily average output for the week ended March 18 was placed at 3,384,000 barrels.—Reuter.

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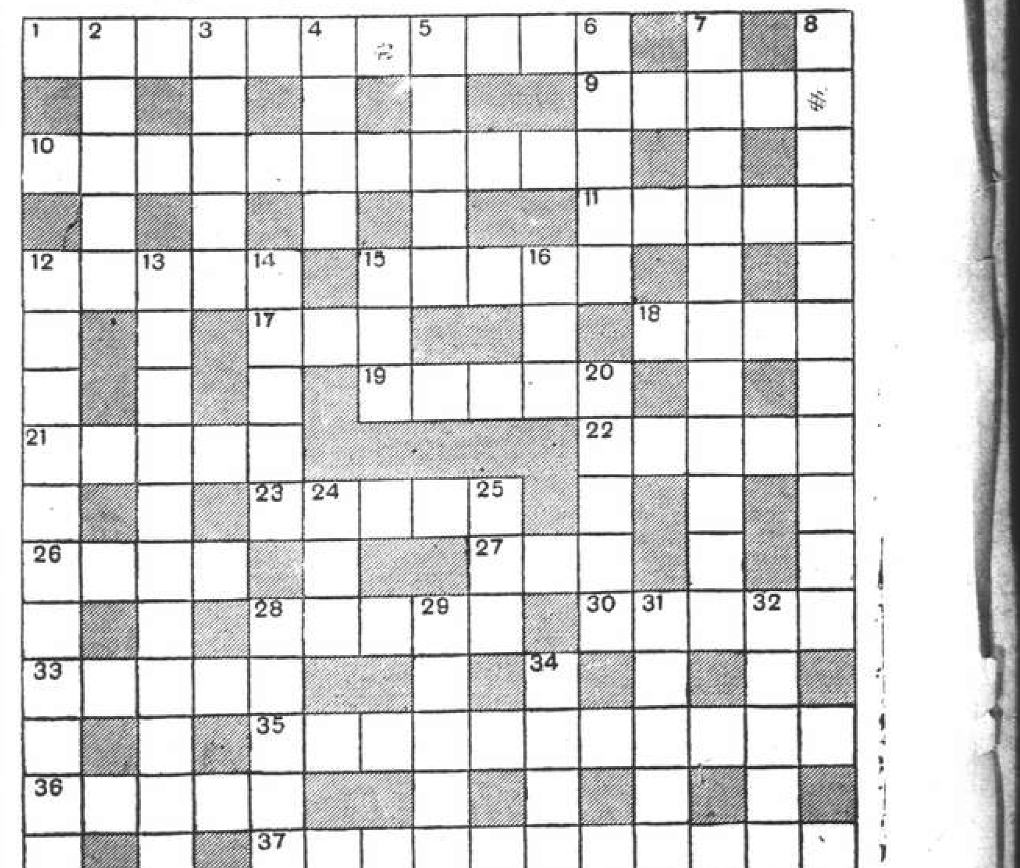

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1 What only a fool would assume (three words)
9 This requires a contribution from more than one hand
10 Peggy would be an appropriate name for the lass who decorates it (two words)
11 Representative of Northern race makes site of Southern races
12 This springs to view when words are broken
15 Bad advice to young pianists
17 A puzzling personality
18 A cleric has lost his head and name as well
19 Food not grown by its start
21 It has many suckers, chiefly on Saturdays
22 Material that contributes to the smoke nuisance
23 The girl who sandwiches the meal
26 One of the forty dear to the 31 down
27 No this is a poet
28 A lower part to lower
30 Bit of meat from a fish
33 To put it back to the beginning of mid-day is hardly courageous
35 Tree or a tide can be made to become worse
36 English novelist
37 Magnificent to the eye

DOWN

2 Entirely an owlet lacking what this means
3 He often makes a scene
4 Performs as animals
5 A form of cleat
6 This is many degrees removed from ice
7 Stop starting with circular plate on metal
8 Whereon an artist might find plenty of sitters among the novices (two words)
12 Deep-running aid to whisky-making? (two words)
13 It might poison another fellow (three words)
14 Passing phase of melody in grand opera
15 Digest without Mary
16 In the face it is very warm
20 By missing the fool would appear from this deep
24 Following this Bertie makes novel neckwear
25 You can see through this, of course
28 This counts for something in our fauna
29 A small-hearted doer of dirty work
31 It isn't fresh if it's turned on colour
32 Part of London encouraging to 3 down
34 A measure of wine can be made to include tobacco

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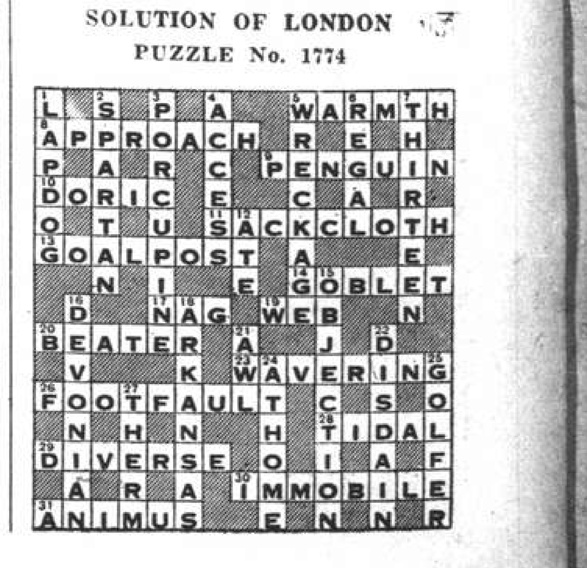

France Publishes Texts of Notes Disputed by Rome

Italy Claims 1935 Accord Never Ratified; French Note Refutes Italian Contentions

Paris, Mar. 30.

MUCH-DISCUSSED Notes exchanged between the Italian and French Governments in the period from December 17 to 25, last year, bearing upon Italy's denunciation of the 1935 Laval-Mussolini Accords, were published here shortly after midnight last night. The Italian Note was originally handed by Count Galeazzo Ciano, Foreign Minister, to M. Andre Francois-Poncet, French Ambassador in Rome.

It declared that Article VII of the 1935 Accords provided that the agreement should enter into application after instruments would be exchanged. Italy pointed out that such instruments never were exchanged. Moreover, Article I provided that the agreement should enter into effect simultaneously with a special convention on Tunisia. Italy asserted that no negotiations for such a convention were ever launched.

"The Italo-French Treaty for the settlement of both country's interests in North Africa have therefore never been completed," the Italian Note claimed. It also asserted that the 1935 Accords were based on certain conditions never confirmed in practice.

The Note further specified that the Accords aimed to develop Italo-French friendship and establish confident co-operation between the two countries.

Italy made sacrifices in respect of the rights of its settlers in Tunisia and regarding rights originating from Article XIII of the 1915 London Accords. In this way, she took into consideration expected French understanding of the needs of Italian expansion in East Africa.

French Attitude Resented

But, the Note continued, France did not adopt such an attitude of understanding when Italy was obliged to take action to settle definitely her relations with Ethiopia. The French attitude afterwards was not consonant with expectations and was even directly contrary to it, Rome alleged.

"The Accords of 1935, which never entered into operation, as Your Excellency was able to register during the conversation of December 2, have thus become void and cannot be considered today as being operative," the Note stated. "The Accords applied to a situation which speedily became obsolete in the light of events which followed upon the application of sanctions (during the Ethiopian campaign).

"Moreover, the formation of the Italian Empire created new rights and interests of fundamental importance. Under these circumstances and in the interest of their improvement, Italo-French relations can no longer be based on the 1935 Accords."

In conclusion, the December 17 Note asserted that it is evident that the Accords must be examined anew by common agreement of the two Governments.

French Reply Published

Following the publication of the Italian Note of December 17, the Quai d'Orsay issued the text of the French Note of December 25 refuting the Italian arguments for denunciation of the 1935 Accords signed in Rome by Il Duce and M. Pierre Laval, then French Premier.

The French Note recalled the ratification of the 1935 Accords by the French Parliament. "If the exchange of the instruments of ratification has not taken place, this was due to the postponement of the signature of the Convention on Tunisia, which was a prerequisite in the proceedings. France cannot be held responsible for the appreciation of circumstances which have induced Italy to wish such a postponement," the French Note stated.

Recalling that the 1935 Accords have been partly fulfilled through the cession to Italy of 2,500 shares of the Addis-Ababa Railway, the Note recalled that the Italian representatives in the course of French-Italian negotiations had always admitted that the 1935 Accords were operative. Such admission had been made as late as on April 22, 1939, in the course of a talk between the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Count Galeazzo Ciano, and the French Chargé d'Affaires, M. Jules Blondel.

Italian Attitude Changed

Not a single gesture by France could have ever justified the change of Italy's attitude, the Note further stressed. It recalled the French initiative at Geneva on May 12, 1938, permitting the recognition of the Italian Empire by the majority of League members and the subsequent appointment, on October 12, of a French Ambassador to the "King of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia."

The note pointed out that the French attitude as regards the Ethiopian affair was due to France's international obligations which had been fully explained to Il Duce by the then Premier, M. Pierre Laval, in January, 1935, at Rome. Finally, the Note concluded, Signor Mussolini himself has on several occasions expressed the appreciation of France's action in favour of moderation at the time of the Geneva proceedings, and of French efforts to conciliate the respect of her obligations toward the Covenant with her desire to preserve Franco-Italian friendship.—Havas.

Network of Highways in North-west China

Szechuen Communications Being Extended

Chungking, Mar. 30.

The Chinese authorities, according to Chinese reports, are constantly improving communication facilities between Szechuen and other provinces.

In addition to the new air-lines connecting Chungking with Soviet Russia, Indo-China and Burma, the Chinese authorities are also stated to be constructing several new highways. A new highway connecting Szechuen and Sikong provinces will be completed by the end of this year.

Recent arrivals here from Shensi, who travelled over the Shensi-Szechuen highway, say that it took them only five days to drive from Pakoi to Chengtu, in spite of the fact that the road winds its way through mountain ranges averaging 6,000 feet. All the bridges, it is reported are able to carry seven ton trucks.

Traffic on the new Shensi-Szechuen highway, the only land route connecting China's north-west and south-west provinces, is heavy. A constant flow of motor-cars, trucks, buses, mule carts and even rickshaws travel over it.—Reuter.

French Colonies to Be Defended

Minister Reveals New Precautionary Moves

Paris, Mar. 29.

Measures taken to strengthen the defences of French colonies, were revealed today by Minister of Colonies, M. Georges Mandel, in a report before the Chamber of Deputies' Colonies Committee.

He stated that certain steps had been taken in French Somaliland and in Indo-China, in the latter case following Japan's occupation of Hainan Island. Indo-China defences were considerably reinforced, he stated, and a large aviation plant was under construction there.—Havas.

Colonial Army Doubled

Paris, Mar. 29.

M. Georges Mandel, Minister of the Colonies, today announced that the strength of the Colonial Army was double that of last year and, henceforth, would be able to protect distant possessions from surprise attacks. The defence of the Empire, he said, would continue to improve, for the Government intended to make the Colonies self-protective.—Reuter.

Fire Does Big Damage In Kunming

Hongkong, Mar. 30.

Fire that destroyed a large number of buildings in Kunming, Yunnan province, last Friday caused damage totalling about $10,000,000, according to a belated report received here today.

The blaze started at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and continued for eight hours. It broke out on Paoshan Street, the main thoroughfare of the city, and was not controlled until 8 o'clock at night. The origin of the blaze has not been disclosed.—Domei.

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Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Antenor, on April 1, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due San Francisco on April 12.

Air France (Hongkong-Marseilles) per ss. Conte Verde, on April 4, at 7 p.m. for registered and at 8 p.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on April 14, and London on April 15.

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DEPARTURES

Per Potsdam, March 29, for **Hongkong:** Mrs. E. & Miss E. Bechler, Mr. & Mrs. F. X. Gutierrez and Two children, Mr. A. Malcolm, Mr. C. Neprud, Mrs. A. Oei, Col. F. Pope, Mr. & Mrs. A. B. Roworth, Dr. Herbert, Commdr. G. Herbert, Mr. J. P. Sorensen, Mr. R. Volkert Mr, K. Z. Woods, Mr. H. Klinkmueller, Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Nien, Mr. H. Partler, for **Manila:** Mr. G. Moss, Mr. R. H. Thornton, Mrs. J. Cotter, Mrs. L. H. Lohmann, for **Belawan:** Mr. & Mrs. A. Hartmann, for **Colombo:** Miss R. Goubert, for **Port-Said:** Baron & Baroness J. Beck-Friis, for **Genoa:** Knosul Dr. E. & Mrs. H. Bischoff, Mr. & Mrs. H. Boysen, Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Clouth, Miss L. Cords-Bischoff, Mr. & Mrs. I. F. Glantz, Dr. O. Kohnke, Mr. J. Marcuse, Mrs. I. Neumann, Mr. W. Oehm, Mr. E. Steindorff, Baroness de Vos, Mr. & Mrs. E. Wolff, Miss E. Froehlich, for **Southampton:** Mrs. M. E. Maley, Mr. E. C. Wakeling, Mr. & Mrs. E. H. Adams, Master D. & Miss A. Adams, Miss E. D. Blackborow, Mr. E. L. Haropp, Mrs. E. Lorenzen, Misses L. M. & A. M. Lorenzen, for **Bremen:** Master J. Beck-Friis, Miss E. Linquist, Master G. W. & Miss M. de Vo, Miss E. Worthmann, Miss R. Arndt, Mr. F. Czarnetzki, Mr. & Mrs. O. Hoehmann, Mr. H. Hoppe, Mrs. K. Kristofersen, Misses S. & K. Kristofersen, Capt. A. C. H. Langvad, Mr. H. Nied, Mr. J. H. Wulf.

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Vessels Discharging

POTSDAM. The Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer Potsdam, from Bremen, Hamburg, Rotterdam and Genoa via Ports is now discharging her cargo at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf. Shanghai side. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. Consignees are further notified that the steamer Potsdam has taken at Bremen and Hamburg through cargo for Shanghai ex steamer Bonn, Cordoba, Ida Clausen and Feronia from Oslo, Harbom South America, Aalborg and Gothenburg. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns to be borne by consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within (15) fifteen days after the vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo to be examined at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side by Messrs. Tesdorpf, Hannig & Co. on next Monday morning, April 3, 1939, at 9 a.m. Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen, General Agents: Melchers & Co., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 31-3

EURYBATES. From New York arrived on March 29, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on April 7, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Monday, April 3, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 1-4

HECTOR. From Liverpool arrived on March 30, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on April 8, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Tuesday, April 4, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 2-4

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From **BREMEN:** Ramses, due p.m., Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf. Passengers will be conveyed to Customs Jetty by tender.

From **NEW YORK:** Anna Maersk, due noon, Old Ningpo Wharf.

From **MANILA:** Marchen Maersk, due a.m., Hunt's Wharf.

From **YOKOHAMA:** Antenor, due 7.30 a.m., Buoys 12-13. Passengers expected at Customs Jetty 9.30 a.m.

From **NAGASAKI:** Shanghai Maru, with mail, due 2 p.m., Wayside Wharf.

From **DAIREN:** Tsingtao Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m., Whangpoo Wharf.

From **FOOCHOW:** Leesang, due 7.30 a.m., Roosevelt Terminal.

From **TIENTSIN:** Liangchow, due p.m., French Bund.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA		
Protesilaus	7/2	6/4
Bellerophone	7/3	28/4

From COPENHAGEN		
Kina	1/2	8/4

From OSLO		
Titania	17/2	13/4
Tamerlane	20/3	9/5

From HAMBURG		
Regensburg	11/3	16/4
Gneisenau	18/3	21/4
Tamerlane	29/3	9/5

From BREMEN		
Kulmerland	21/2	14/4
Nordmark	7/3	22/4
Duisburg	21/3	10/5

From ROTTERDAM		
Tamara	9/3	25/4
Duisberg	30/3	10/5
Serooskerk	30/3	13/5

From ANTWERP		
Glenaffaric	4/2	4/4
Franken	24/2	15/4
Abbekerk	20/2	15/4
Glenapp	18/2	16/4
Gleniffer	4/3	29/4
Glenshiel	18/3	4/5
Lippe	23/3	10/5
Serooskerk	20/3	13/5

From GLASGOW		
Menestheus	25/2	13/4
Agamemnon	25/3	14/5

From LIVERPOOL		
Menestheus	4/3	13/4
Teiresias	25/2	14/4
Diomed	11/3	21/4
Aeneas	18/3	1/5
Pyrraus	25/3	9/5

From LONDON		
Chitral	24/2	2/4
Terukuni M.	3/3	7/4
Carthage	10/3	16/4
Bangalore	4/3	17/4
Hakusan M.	17/3	24/4
Rajputana	24/3	30/4
Haruna M.	31/3	8/5

From MARSEILLES		
Mar. Joffre	3/3	1/4
J. Laborde	17/3	14/4
Fexil Roussel	31/3	28/4
Rajputana	31/3	30/4

From GENOA		
Gneisnau	29/3	21/4
C. B'camano	29/3	25/4

From TRIESTE		
C. Verdi	8/3	2/4
Arabia	20/2	20/4
Himalaya	20/3	9/5

From PORT SAID		
Franken	12/3	15/4
Regensburg	22/3	15/4
Aeneas	30/3	1/5

From SUEZ		
Glenapp	16/3	16/4
Nordmark	28/3	22/4
Hakusan M.	31/3	24/4
Bellerophon	28/3	28/4
Gleniffer	30/3	29/4

From BOMBAY		
Carthage	30/3	16/4

From COLOMBO		
J. Laborde	31/3	14/4
Kulmerland	27/3	14/4
Abberkerk	26/3	15/4
Bangalore	31/3	17/4

From SINGAPORE		
Glenaffaric	23/3	4/4
Terukuni M.	31/3	7/4
Titania	31/3	13/4
Teiresias	30/3	14/4

From SOERABAIA		
Tjisaroea	13/3	1/4
Tjisadane	17/3	1/4

From MANILA		
Cingal. Prince	25/3	4/4
Kina	23/3	8/4

From HONGKONG: See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK		
Irisbank	7/2	2/4
Cingal. Prince	11/2	4/4
C. Athens	18/2	19/4
Ivaran	25/2	19/4
Malay Prince	9/3	24/4
Agapenor	27/2	25/4
Foylebank	6/3	27/4
Niel Maersk	10/3	27/4
Silversandal	23/3	7/5
Laura Maersk	25/3	10/5
C. Pittsburg	16/3	13/5
Dardanus	27/3	19/5

From SAVANNAH		
Niel Maersk	15/3	27/4
Siversandal	26/3	7/5
Laura Maersk	30/3	10/5

From SANTOS		
Atlas M.	13/2	10/4

From VANCOUVER		
E. of Canada	18/3	4/4

From LOS ANGELES		
P. Coolidge	6/3	1/4
Silverteak	10/3	11/4
Asama M.	14/3	12/4
Ivaran	20/3	19/4
Tatuta M.	27/3	29/4

From SAN FRANCISCO		
Irisbank	3/3	2/4
Silverteak	16/3	11/4
Malay Prince	28/3	24/4
Agapenor	26/3	25/4
Tatuta M.	30/3	29/4

From HONOLULU		
Emp. Canada	23/3	4/4
Asama M.	22/3	12/4

From HONGKONG: See "China Ports" below.

From YOKOHAMA		
Husimi M.	26/3	4/4
Arendskerk	28/3	6/4

From KOBE		
P. Coolidge	26/3	1/4
Husimi M.	30/3	4/4

From NAGASAKI		
Nagasaki M.	1/4	2/4

From KEELUNG (Formosa)		
Tyosa M.	29/3	3/4

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN		
Tegelberg	15/3	22/4

From DURBAN		
Atlas M.	14/3	10/4
Tegelberg	21/3	22/4

From MELBOURNE		
Nellore	4/3	10/4

From SYDNEY		
Sydney M.	17/3	6/4

From BRISBANE		
Nellore	17/3	10/4

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN		
Dairen M.	2/4	4/4

From TIENTSIN		
Taksang	30/3	3/4
Tingsang	1/4	4/4
Kanchow	31/3	5/4
Fausang	5/4	8/4

From AMOY		
Tjisaroea	29/3	1/4
Tjisasane	30/3	1/4

From HONGKONG		
Mar. Joffre	29/3	1/4
Emp. Asia	30/3	1/4

From HONGKONG		
Kamakura M.	30/3	1/4
Chitral	29/3	2/4
Taiyuan	28/3	2/4
C. Verde	31/3	2/4
Chaksang	29/3	2/4
Suiyang	30/3	3/4
Kwaisang	31/3	4/4
Soochow	2/4	6/4
Yusang	2/4	6/4
Protesilaus	3/4	6/4
Szechuen	4/4	8/4
Wosang	6/4	9/4
Tsinan	5/4	10/4

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

HECTOR Apr. 1. TAKU.—First Class Passenger Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020, 21 French Bund. 1-4

SHENGKING Apr. 1. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Saturday, April 1, at 10 a.m. Calls at Tsingtao for passengers only. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 1-4

WINGSANG Apr. 1. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 1, at 10 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 1-4

LIANGCHOW Apr. 2. TSINGTAO, TIENTSIN and DAIREN.—From French Bund on Sunday, April 2, at 9.30 a.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 2-4

CHAKSANG Apr. 4. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, April 4, at 11 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 4-4

HANS RICKMERS Apr. 3/4. DAIREN and TIENTSIN.—For freight and particulars apply to Rickmers Linie, 9 Avenue Edward VII. 2-4

KWAISANG Apr. 6. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 6. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290 6-4

YUSANG Apr. 8. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 8. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 8-4

WOSANG Apr. 11. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, April 11. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 11-4

SOUTH CHINA COAST

KAYING Apr. 1. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, April 1, at 8 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 31-3

LEESANG Apr. 2. FOOCHOW.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, April 2, at 9.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 2-4

HSIN PEKING Mar. 4. NINGPO.—From French Bund on Tuesday, April 4, at 4.30 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 4-4

Vessels Leaving

SOUTH CHINA COAST

St. VINCENT de PAUL Apr. 5. CHUANCHOW and MEICHEN SOUND.—From French Bund on Wednesday, April 5, at 11.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 5-4

SUIYANG Apr. 5. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, April 5, at 11.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 5-4

TAIYUAN Apr. 6. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Thursday, April 6, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 6-4

TAKSANG Apr. 6. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 6, at noon. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 6-4

TINGSANG Apr. 6. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 6. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 6-4

TJISADANE Apr. 6. AMOY, HONGKONG, MANILA, CEBU, MACASSAR, BALI, SOERABAIA and JAVA N.C.—The J.C.J.L. ms. Tjisadane sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Thursday, April 6, taking cargo to Java and transhipment in Java. Excellent passenger accommodation. Through tickets issued to European, Australian and African Ports. For particulars apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 5-4

FAUSANG Apr. 10. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Monday, April 10. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 10-4

JAPAN

PHILOCTETES Apr. 1. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 1-4

CHITRAL Apr. 3. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 3-4

STRAITS AND EUROPE

CHENONCEAUX Mar. 31. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 French Bund. Tel. 82034. 31-3

MALAYA Apr. 1. (loading on Mar. 31.) FOR PORT SAID, JAFFA, HAIFA, BEYROUTH, CASABLANCA, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and COPENHAGEN via HONGKONG, SAIGON, KOHSICHANG and SINGAPORE.—The East Asiatic Co.'s Motorship Malaya, Captain Chr. Nielsen, will be despatched from here on or about April 1, for the abovementioned ports. Cargo accepted on through Bills of Lading to all Continental, Baltic and Scandinavian ports. Optional Bills of Lading issued to U.K. Ports. For freight and passage apply to Agency of The East Asiatic Co., Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 15055. 1-4

ANTENOR Apr. 2. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and GLASGOW.—For freight apply Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 2-4

ARENDSKERK Apr. 5. (Loading on Apr. 4.) ADEN, PORT SUDAN, PORT SAID, GENOA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, AMSTERDAM, HAMBURG and BREMEN.—The Holland East Asia Line s.s. Arendskerk sails from Shanghai on April 5. For passage and freight apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., General Agents Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 5-4

CONTE VERDE Apr. 5. VENICE and TRIESTE via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, PORT SAID and BRINDISI — Lloyd Triestino, 26 The Bund. Tel. 16885. 5-4

MARBURG Apr. 5. ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, BREMEN via HONGKONG, SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, COLOMBO.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 5-4

GLENBEG Apr. 8. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 8-4

CORFU Apr. 11. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, COCHIN, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA — Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 10.30 a.m. Tuesday, April 11 1939. Hand packages only accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, April 10, Customs Permit required for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. 11428. 11-4

OLDENBURG Apr. 11. GENOA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS —(Captain C. Dempwolf), on or about April 11, 1939. For freight and passage, please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 11-4

TALLEYRAND Apr. 14. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, DUNKIRK, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE and PORT SAID.—Motor vessel Talleyrand of the Wilhelmsen lines will be despatched from Shanghai on or about April 15, for the above-mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading issued for all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. For freight or passage please apply to Dodwell and Campany, Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 14-4

AJAX Apr. 15. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and GLASGOW.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 15-4

SOMALI Apr. 18. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, LONDON, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM and ANTWERP via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—For Freight Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 18-4

CANTON Apr. 20. ALGIERS, ORAN, CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, COPENHAGEN, OSLO and GOTHENBURG via HONGKONG.—The Swedish East Asiatic Co. Ltd.'s m.s. Canton will leave Shanghai on or about April 20, for the above mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading to all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. Cargo for U.K. ports accepted on Optional Bs/L. For freight and passage please apply to The Ekman Foreign Agencies Ltd., Hamilton House, Foochow Road Entrance. Tel. 11330. 20-4

AMERICA

MARCHEN MAERSK Apr. 1. Via JAPAN for LOS ANGELES and via PANAMA to NEW YORK, BOSTON PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, SAVANNAH and NORFOLK.—For Freight and Passage apply to Melchers & Co., Agents, Maersk Line, 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 1-4

AUSTRALASIA

NANKIN Apr. 1. (From Hongkong) SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 1-4

Weather, Time and Tide

Friday, March 31, 1939 (11th day of 2nd moon)

SICCAWEI	March 29 16.00	March 29 21.00	March 30 4.00	March 30 9.00
Barometer inches	29.91	29.93	29.91	29.90
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.16	—0.15	0.00	—0.08
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	0.00	—0.05	0.00	—0.03
Wind (direction)	ESE	ESE	ENE	ESE
„ (miles per hour)	3.7	6.8	8.1	5.6
Temperature (Fahr.)	59.2°	50.9°	51.1°	57.9°
Humidity %	83	100	99	92
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report March 29	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.93	—0.18	30.11
Temp. Min. 44.°0 Max. 61.°3	52.°7	+4.°1	50.°4
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	8.06	0.01	7.37

Time and Tide	31/3	1/4	2/4	3/4	4/4
Sun rises at Shanghai ..	5.46	5.44	5.43	5.42	5.41
Sun sets at Shanghai....	18.13	18.13	18.13	18.14	18.14
Moon rises at Shanghai ..	14.06	15.12	16.18	17.24	18.29
Moon sets at Shanghai ..	2.38	3.21	4.02	4.43	5.24
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	6.40	8.15	9.26	10.20	10.59
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	12.34	13.25	14.10	14.50	15.29
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	9.14	9.59	10.52	11.32	12.17
Ht. above LLW. (feet)..	8.00	8.50	9.45	9.01	10.00

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HOMEWARDS: Due to sail from Shanghai

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ms. DANMARK	May 11	May 12	Japan Ports

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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Elbhof	Wenchow	Carlowitz
Don Jose	Ningpo	C.A.S.S.
Dama	Wenchow	Sheng Ma
Hanna	Ningpo	Carlowitz
Wingsang	Hongkong	Jardine
Katie Moller	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
Erato	Japan	Y.K.K
Haraldsvang	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
Hector	Hongkong	B.&S.
Myoken M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Hishi M.	Japan	Showa S.
Joan Moller	Ningpo	N.S.S.N.
Liwo	Chitung	Jardine
Faro	Tsungming	P.N.&T.
Patti	Chitung	Chang Yuen
Lipari	Haimen	C.I.N.
Alexandra	Hsinkong	Young's Shp.
C'stine Moller	Hsinkong	Mollers'
Wusueh	Hsinkong	B.&S.
Fooksing	Tungchow	Ta Lung
Luise	Hsinkong	Keh Lee
Chenonceaux	Japan	M.M.
Hertha	C'yingsha	G.F.E.
H.M.S. Cardiff	Cruise	—

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Bremerhaven	Ger.	Melchers
Eurybates	Br.	B.&S.
Lipari	Ital.	C.I.N.
Haikong	Ger.	Keh Lee
Ave-Maria	Port.	Ta Lung
Hansi	Ger.	G.F.E.
Tseangtah	Br.	Mow Tung
Tungwo	Br.	Jardine
Heini	Ger.	G.F.D.
Tejo	Port.	I.C.R.N.
Liesel	Ger.	Ta Lung
Ikwang	Br.	A.P.C.
Fukwang	Br.	A.P.C.
Fengyang M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Dorsetshire	Br.	—
Nanning	Br.	B.&S.
Hishi M.	Jap.	Showa S.
Esin Peking	Br.	B.&S.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Cockchafer	Br.	Gbt.	C.L.T.B. 2/3
Peterel	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Scorpion	Br.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Tern	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Guam	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Isabel	Am.	Slp.	B.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Ramapo	Am.	T.-S.	U.S.N.B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
S. de Brazza	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.

Sections of the Harbour

1 North Chinese Bund to Kinleeyuen.
2 Kinleeyuen Wharf to Signal Station.
3 Signal Station to Custom House.
4 Customs Shed to Peking Road Jetty.
5 Peking Road Jetty to Old Dock.
6 Old Dock to S. & H. Wharf Flagstaff.
7 S. & H. Flagstaff to Old Ningpo.
8 Old Ningpo to Chinwangtao Jetty.
9 Chingwangtao to Waterworks Intake
10 Waterworks to Yanking Creek.
11 Yangking to Cosmopolitan Dock.
LOWER SECTION Cosmopolitan Dock to Woosung.

Wharves and Docks

S=Shanghai side. P=Pootung side.

APCGIW	A.P.C. Gough Is. Wharf	P LS.
APCLW	A.P.C. Lower Wharf	P 11
APCUW	A.P.C. Upper Wharf	P 10
BJ	Boyd's Jetty	P 6
CMCW	China Merchants' Central	S 5
CMEW	China Merchants' Eastern	P 10
CMLW	China Merchants' Lower	S 7
CNCBs	China Nav. Co. Buoys	S 2
CNCW	China Nav. Co. Wharf	S 2
CNPW	C.N. Co. Pootung Wharf	S 2
COCW	China Oil Co. Wharf	P LS.
CosD	Cosmopolitan Dock	P 11
CosDW	Cosmo. Dock Wharf	P 11
GJ	Garden Jetty	S 5
HSW	Hoong Shin Wharf Co.	P 1
HtsW	Hunt's Wharf	S 6
HWYK	Holt's Yang King	P 10
IntD	International Dock	P 11
IntDW	Int. Dock Wharf	P 11
JNJ	Japanese Naval Jetty	P 8
KLYBs	Kinleeyuen Buoys	S 1 & 2
KLYW	Kinleeyuen Wharf	S 1 & 2
KMAW	Kailan Wharf	P 10
KPW	Kaiyosha Pootung	P 10
KSD	Kiousin Dock	S1
KW	Kwanghua Oil Co.	P LS.
MBKUW	M.B.K. Upper Wharf	P 8
MBKW	M.B.K. Wharf	P 11
McKW	Mackenzie's Wharf	P 2
MW	Mollers' Wharves	S6
NKKW	Nisshin Kisen Whf.	P US
NSCW	Ningshao Co. Wharf	S 1
NYKMW	N.Y.K. Mail Wharf	S 5
NYKPW	N.Y.K. Pootung Wharf	P 10
OD	Old Dock	S 6
ONW	Old Ningpo Wharf	S 7 & 8
OSKYW	O.S.K. Yangtszepoo	S 8
OW	Outside Woosung	
PWE	Pootung Wharf East, Ewo	P 9
PWW	Pootung Wharf West, Ewo	P 9
QA	Quarantine Anchorage	
SHW	S'hai & H'kew Whf.	S 6 & 7
SOCW	Standard Oil Wharf	P LS.
TDW	Tai Dong Wharf	S 8
VOCW	Vacuum Oil Co. Wharf	P LS.
WIA	Woosung Inner Anchorage	
WSW	Wayside Wharf	S 8
WTW	Watung Wharf	S 1
WW	Whangpoo Wharf	S 9
YPD	Yangtszepoo Dock	S 9
YPDW	Yangtszepoo Dock Whf.	S 9
YW	Yangtszepoo Wharf	P 10

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C	TEIRESIAS	Liverpool	Apr. 14	Apr. 15	Japan
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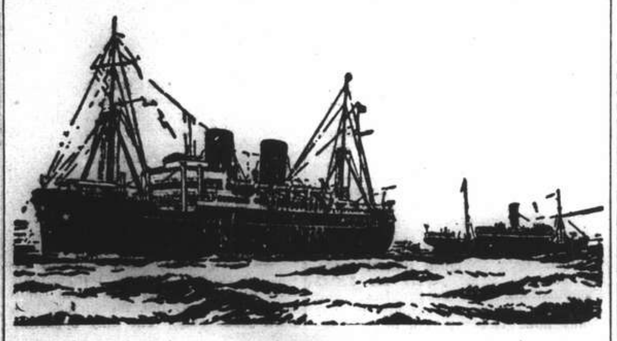

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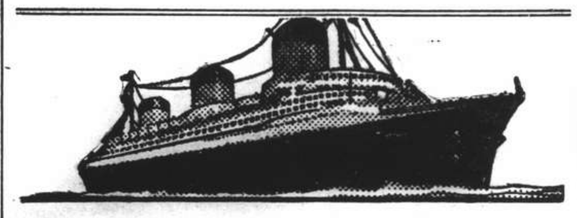

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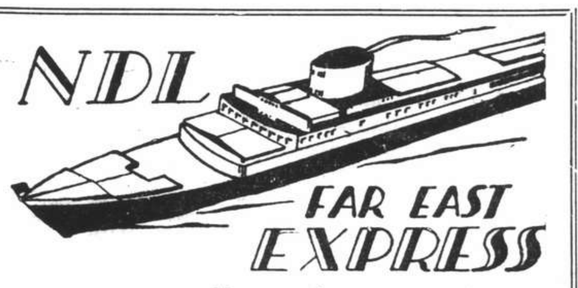

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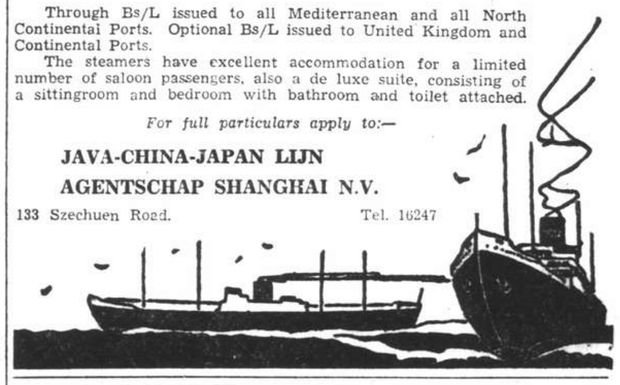

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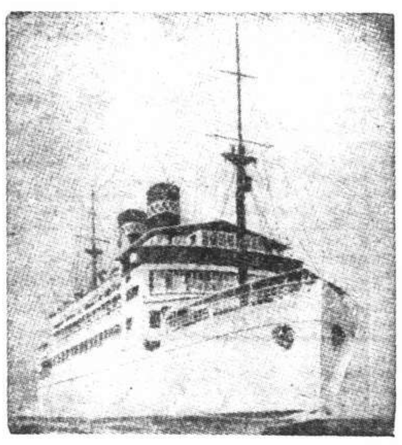

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In his speech, the chairman said:

Revenue on intra-agreement consumers' account is $5,262,600.87 as compared with $4,737,951.14 for 1937. After deducting net working expenditure the balance of working Account carried to Profit and Loss Account is $2,721,118.26 as against $2,404,838.02 in the previous year, which after taking into account the various profit and loss items results in a net profit for the year of $1,778,315.42 as compared with the net profit for 1937 of $1,347,779.81.

The half yearly dividends on the preference share issues and an interim dividend of 2 per cent. on the ordinary shares which were paid on September 27 last absorbed $776,357.36, thus leaving a balance of $1,001,958.06. This sum is short by $789,170.02 of the amount required to pay the dividends recommended by your directors as set out in their report which is now before you. Accordingly the amount of the shortage is made good by transfer from Equalization of Dividends Reserve thus bringing the total amount available for distribution to $1,791,128.08. The dividends we recommend are the usual half yearly preference dividends and a final dividend on "A", "B" and "C" shares of 5 per cent. making with the interim, a dividend for the year of 7 per cent. on each class. There are thus shortages in the dividends for the year of 2 per cent. in respect of the "A" shares and of 1 per cent. in respect of the "C" shares.

The Accounts

Before dealing in detail with the accounts now before you or commenting on the cause of the shortage of profits, I should like to refer as briefly as possible to the method of payment of dividends as between the three classes of ordinary shares. As you are aware the matter is governed apart from general provisions in the company's articles of association, in the first place by the terms of issue of the shares and in the second by the material terms of the company's franchise agreement with the Shanghai Municipal Council. Taking the latter first, provision is made for the payment of dividends for each year not exceeding 9 per cent. on the "A" share capital, 7 per cent. on the "B" share capital and 8 per cent. on the "C" share capital and further that where in any year the profits are insufficient to pay these dividends any deficiencies shall be payable out of the profits of any succeeding year and the dividends for such succeeding year increased accordingly. Under the terms of issue, the three classes rank *pari passu* except as to the maximum rate of dividend.

The meaning of these various provisions is that the profits available for dividend should in the first place be divided equally among the holders of "A", "B" and "C" shares according to the amount of capital paid up on each of these classes of shares, provided that "B" shares must not receive more than 7 per cent ,"C" shares more than 8 per cent. and "A" shares more than 9 per cent. and further that in the event of there being a deficiency in any year, that deficiency should first be made up out of the profits of the following year and the balance then allocated by way of dividends in the manner just stated. You will see from this that there can be no question of a pro rata distribution. Our recommendation has been made therefore in accordance with this advice, which, I may add, has been endorsed by the company's legal advisers in London.

Improved Shipping

On extra-agreement and shipping consumers' account we have a net profit of $116,672.51 as compared with $88,304.35 for 1937. This increase is entirely due to improved shipping sales which in turn is a direct result of the hostilities and cannot therefore be taken as continuing, although no doubt a diminution of supplies to naval and military shipping would to some extent be offset by an improvement in supplies to civil shipping. To the profit there is to be added $92,180.71 being undistributed profits brought forward from 1937, making the total amount available $208,853.22. Out of this amount we recommend the payment by way of dividend of 3/- per "A" share and 1.8d per "B" share at exchange 8 9-32, thus leaving $10,365.01 to be carried forward to New Account.

Depreciation of Dollar

Reverting now to the Working Account and Profit and Loss Account you will notice that practically without exception every item whether revenue or expenditure shows an increase as compared with the previous year. Just as in 1937 the position was dominated by the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities so in 1938 the one important factor has been the depreciation of the Chinese dollar. So far as expenditure is concerned nearly every item has been adversely affected either directly or indirectly. However, owing to our policy of covering foreign currency commitments as far ahead as possible the direct increased cost due to the depreciation of the dollar is not as great as it might otherwise have been. It will of course be fully reflected in the accounts for the current year. Of the items affected indirectly fuel and power are the most important, fuel both coal and oil showing average increases of 60 to 70 per cent over 1937 costs and power 26 per cent, these figures have since risen to 83 per cent. and 46 per cent. respectively. Further the last half of the year was affected by an upward adjustment of salaries to meet the sharp rise in the cost of living. This adjustment has been made in common with most other undertakings in Shanghai.

As against these increases in expenditure, the revenue from water sold shows a very satisfactory increase. Shanghai's ability to withstand adverse conditions and adopt itself speedily to changes is truly remarkable. With the eastern areas partially demolished and still but sparsely inhabited, areas from which in former times your Company derived some 30 per cent. of its total revenue, we were called upon by Shanghai during the last six months of the year to supply more water than we have ever supplied before. It is true that owing to the abnormal conditions in the areas referred to a greater percentage than formerly of the total demand was unsold and remained unaccounted for, but even allowing for this factor which is by no means serious and which is now being steadily reduced, the increase in the quantity of water sold is striking, especially is this so in the case of non-domestic demand, where the increase must represent increased business activity and cannot as is too often the case with domestic demand result from overcrowding.

Last year I felt it incumbent upon me to warn you that with the present tariff and the then existing rebate your company could not hope during 1938 to earn sufficient profits to cover full dividend requirements and again in August when declaring the interim dividend your directors considered it desirable to advise you by circular that in arriving at the amount of such interim dividend due regard had been had to the exchange and cash positions and that the amount so declared should not be taken as affording any indication of the amount of the final dividend.

Had no currency depreciation occurred, the first warning might have proved somewhat premature such was the improvement during the last six months of the year. However, even at the time I was addressing you the forces making for depreciation were at work and by August it was only too clear that the exchange value of the Chinese dollar had been established on the lower level and that all previous calculations would have to be drastically revised. It was in these circumstances that the circular accompanying the declaration of the interim dividend was addressed to you.

Revenue Improved

Although it was contemplated that the rebate of 20 per cent should continue in force until the end of 1938, the heavy depreciation of the dollar compelled us to seek early relief and the Municipal Council was accordingly approached with a view to obtaining the withdrawal of the rebate. As stated in your directors' report this withdrawal took effect as from October 9. The revenue for the year has thus also benefited to this extent. While deploring the necessity for this increase in our charges to our consumers, I must state quite clearly, that so far as can be seen at present, this increase while it may, assuming present demand and exchange level, possibly prove sufficient to take care of bare dividend requirements, it cannot produce sufficient surplus to cover the 1938 dividend shortages or enable us to make good the heavy inroads into our reserves that we have been compelled to make.

Under arrangement with the Municipal Council the position is now due for review and whatever the outcome it is the opinion of your directors that in the interests both of the company and its consumers the position should again be reviewed in say six months' time.

During the past year expenditure has been kept to the minimum consistent with efficiency, not only has some reduction in staff number been effected, but all routine service increases were postponed during the year. This measure cannot of course be continued but the resultant economy helped materially.

A satisfactory reduction has taken place in the amount owing on water accounts, which last year was somewhat greater than usual as a result of the hostilities, the amount held on Investment Account has been reduced by reason of transfers therefrom to cover the investment of the instalments on the various Fund accounts and some minor alterations have been made at the instance of your auditors in the wording of some of the items.

Directors' Fees

In the resolution re-electing your auditors you are asked to approve their remuneration at $5,000.— for the current year. This increase is recommended in view of increased costs due to the low level of exchange and consequently is liable to adjustment in succeeding years should the position alter.

The Plant

The plant at Yangtszepoo has been maintained in its usual good order and has very adequately met all demands that have been made upon it. The distribution system has, however, been the cause of some anxiety not by reason of any breakdown or inherent defect but solely by reason of the radical changes that have taken place in the incidence of the demand owing to the abnormal conditions in the areas north of the Soochow Creek and to the influx of refugees and consequent congestion in various other areas. While demand in the more central areas has relatively altered but little that in certain areas in the west of the settlement has suddenly increased by no less than 45 per cent. The danger of the consequence of this state of affairs can readily be seen. With plenty of water available, the means of conveying it may prove insufficient to cope with the sudden and unpredictable increase in demand. The remedy is either to increase the means of conveyance, that is enlarge the existing mains or to increase the rate of flow in the existing mains. Main laying is a costly undertaking and the troublesome factor is that it is almost certain that this change in the incidence of demand is but a temporary phenomenon. It is fortunate that the alternative remedy has been found possible. Increased rates of flow mean increased pressure. To meet the emergency, pressure was increased by increasing the head at the works in Yangtszepoo. This had the disadvantage of increasing pressures throughout the whole system and therefore of being unnecessarily expensive. It also had the further disadvantage of increasing the wastage in the abnormal areas north of the Soochow Creek, for increased pressure means increased waste.

I am pleased to say that a scheme has been worked out which by means of what are technically known as "boosting" stations, will at comparatively small capital cost overcome these disadvantages and so relieve us of any anxiety we might have had on this score during the coming summer.

Difficulties

As regards our position in the extra settlement areas I can say very little. It is unfortunate that the water supply to such a great city as Shanghai should involve political considerations, but such is the case and you will readily understand therefore my reticence at this juncture. I should like, however, to put on record that apart from some minor initial misunderstandings our relations with the Japanese military, naval and civil authorities have remained consistently good. Before leaving the subject of extra settlement supplies some reference must be made to the Western extra settlement areas. When addressing you in April 1937 I said:—"The problem of the supply of water to the area west of the International Settlement I regret to say still remains unsolved. However, during the year negotiations were resumed on a somewhat different basis and we now have distinct hopes of an ultimate solution being found, in the meantime the position in regard to fresh consumers in the district remains the same. Our mains in the area are fully matched and we are therefore unable to furnish any new supplies." Since then much has happened and it needs no detailed knowledge of the local situation to draw the inference that the events of the past eighteen months have contributed in no way to an early solution of the problem, rather have they served to introduce new problems. I can only repeat therefore that through no fault of our own the water supply to this area is unsatisfactory and that with our mains fully matched we are still unable to furnish any new supplies.

I cannot conclude without reference to the loss your Company has suffered through the deaths during the year of Mr. H. Porter and Mr. Sing-loh Hsu. Both these gentlemen were the Councils nominees on your Board and their loss will be greatly felt. We welcome, however, Mr. R. G. MacDonald and Mr. L. T. Yuan who have been nominated by the Council to fill the vacancies thus created.

Finally I am sure I am expressing your wishes when I tender our thanks to Mr. Rial and Mr. Lock and their respective staffs for the very efficient manner in which they have carried out their duties.

That the directors' report and accounts for the year 1938 be and they are hereby received and adopted.

Proposed by Mr. H. M. Little, seconded by Mr. A. J. Welch.

That dividends for the half year ended December 31, 1938 of 3½ per cent. on 100,000 7 per cent. Cumulative Redeemable Preference Shares and of 3¼ per cent. on 100,000 6½ per cent. Cumulative Redeemable Preference Shares be declared and paid, that a final divided on Intra Agreement Consumers' Account for the year ended December 31, 1938 of 5 per cent. on "A," "B" and "C" shares respectively be declared and paid.

Proposed by Mr. H. M. Little, seconded by Mr. A. J. Welch.

That a dividend on extra agreement and shipping consumers account for the year ended December 31, 1938 of 3/- per "A" share and 1.8d. per "B" share be declared and paid.

Proposed by Mr. H. M. Little, seconded by Mr. A. J. Welch.

That Mr. H. M. Little and Mr. W. P. Lambe be and they are hereby re-elected directors of the Company.

Proposed by Mr. T. Wallace, seconded by Mr. D. Webb.

That Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews be and they are hereby re-appointed auditors of the Company until the next ordinary meeting and that their remuneration be $5,000.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Currie, seconded by Mr. T. Wallace.

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Quart Bottle	$3.30
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WANTED salesmen for cheap articles of perfumery, best quality. High commission. Address Box 2329, NCDN. -3911

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WANTED by old-established foreign firm, experienced reliable Chinese clerks for import bookkeeping and general accounting. Also wanted No. 1 office boy. Send full particulars in own handwriting, stating salary expected and attach copies of testimonials to Box 2315, NCDN. 11769

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ACCOUNTANT, Chinese, 39, university graduate, twenty years managerial experience, factory/bank/export/import/audit. Seeks any position. 445 Jessfield Road. 3943

CAPABLE Chinese, 32, having five years' experience in building materials business and close connections with local dealers, architects and contractors, seeks position as sales-manager or department head for any firm in the same line. Address Box 2343, NCDN. -3933

YOUNG girl just completed school and stenotypist education, knowing English, French, Russian, very much in need of a job. Also prepared to act as companion to children. Address Box 2325, NCDN. -3899

CAPABLE Chinese, 31, well experienced in selling machinery, metals, automobiles, tyres and oils, and having A1 connection with Government offices, seeks position as representative working at Hongkong. Address Box 2168, NCDN. -3932

AUSTRIAN, Catholic, aged 30, capable office administrator or manager motion picture theatre. Salary unimportant. Address Box 2233, NCDN. 3747

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NATURALISED Russian, 26, at present employed, seeks a change. Mechanically inclined. Some knowledge of local dialect. Salary no object. Good prospects essential. Very good references. Address Box 2308, NCDN. -3873

CHINESE woman of middle age, speaking English, wide experience in housekeeping, also competent in dress-making, etc., seeks position. Address Box 2294, NCDN. -3840

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WILL buy any business, or partner, Jew refugee, wanted with some new ideas for Shanghai. Box 2346, NCDN. -3937

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SECOND-hand violin. Please state price and make. Address Box 2349, NCDN. -3942

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WANTED to buy, bed and dining-rooms furniture in good condition, second-hand. Address Box 2289, NCDN. -3829

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LOST, Customs stamped B/L No. 171/5 covering two cases rayon goods ex ss. Anyo Maru, Voyage 5, Application No. 316/3/191, marked a and S., O over 800 in triangle, Shanghai No. 1/2. The public is hereby notified same is now null and void. 11787

LOST. The public is hereby notified that the loss of my Customs certificate of authority on a bus on March 26, 1939, has been duly reported to the Custom House and that the certificate of authority in question is hereby declared null and void. I. Nagate, Tidewaiter, Custom House, Shanghai. -3788

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TO LET in private home, 882 Bubbling Well, Apartment 122, one room suitable for bachelors or married couple. Full board. From April 1. -3944

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